WEATHER FORECAST

Victoria and Vicinity—Fresh to strong southerly winds; partly fair, and mild; probably turning cooler, with a shower at night.

Vancouver and Vicinity—Fresh southerly winds; partly cloudy, and mild; lower temperature late at night.

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FIST FIGHTS FOLLOW AS ITALIANS RESENT TAUNTS FROM CROWD

Cafes in Montevideo Raided by "Prestige" Crew From Cruiser When Patrons Jeer Fascist Demonstration—Sailors Taken to Police Station and Fifty Persons in Custody

MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay, Dec. 23 (AP).—Sixty Italian sailors from the cruiser Duca d'Aosta fought with cafe crowds who had jeered at them today and had to have protection of Uruguayan troops to get back to their ship.

The sailors, on a world "prestige" cruise, invaded three cafes when patrons answered their Fascist salutes with taunts. Fist fights developed and at one point angry Uruguayians chased the Italians to Plaza Independencia, in the heart of the city, where police finally rescued them.

Leaving the cruiser in three omnibuses, the sailors sang Fascist hymns and saluted pedestrians with outstretched arms. At a corner where a number of Uruguayans were seated at a sidewalk cafe they were met by shouts of "Long live Republican Spain."

COMMUNIST FISTS

The sailors later told police that they were amazed to hear jeers and to see several men lift "Communist fists."

They halted the buses and rushed to the attack. In the clash, chairs and tables were broken, bottles were thrown. Soon the sailors returned to their buses and started down the street again.

At another corner, crowds at two cafes shouted defiance and cheered the Spanish Government. The sailors again halted and rushed the cafe patrons. Instantly, however, a crowd of several hundred gathered and repelled the attack.

Police took the sailors, most of whom were bruised, to a station house. Later, armed troops escorted them back to their vessel.

About fifty persons were in custody as an aftermath of the fights.

HARRY HOPKINS JOINS CABINET

Foe of Many Anti-New Dealers Promoted by President Roosevelt

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 (AP).—The bogeyman of many anti-new dealers, Harry L. Hopkins, much-criticized dispenser of billions for relief, was promoted to the United States Cabinet today by President Roosevelt.

The President named him Secretary of Commerce, while Washington wondered if the appointment, conferring a signal honor upon an aggressive Liberal, was the first indication of Mr. Roosevelt's reply to the obviously Conservative challenge of the November elections.

SUCCEEDS HOPKINS

At the same time, the President named an American army colonel, F. C. Harrington, to be administrator of the Works Progress Administration to fill the post left vacant by Hopkins. Harrington, previously assistant administrator, was jumped over the head of Aubrey Williams, deputy administrator. The word was that the latter would now devote his full attention to the National Youth Administration, possibly resigning his present office.

As the top man of W.P.A., Hopkins has been the target of critical attacks, particularly from Republicans and the Conservative wing of the Democratic party in Congress.

SENATE BATTLE SEEN

One of the important questions raised by the appointment was whether it would throw the Senate into a hard-hitting battle over confirming the nomination.

So great is Hopkins' prestige with President Roosevelt that the appointment caused some speculation whether one of the President's motives might be to build him up as a possible Democratic presidential nominee in 1940.

DIES AFTER ACCIDENT

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP).—Vancouver marked up its first traffic fatality of the Christmas season tonight when Peter Grenell was injured fatally when struck by a car at an East End intersection. A companion, Andrew Olson, was taken to hospital with severe head injuries and fractured legs.

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SAVE INDIAN FROM DEATH

Priest and Companions for Four Days Struggle to Prevent Trapper's Suicide

THE PAS, Man., Dec. 23 (CP).—A Roman Catholic priest and three companions struggled for four days with a deranged Indian trapper, bent on self-destruction; while an Indian youth ran fifty miles through drifted snow for help.

The story reached here today when Joe Colomb, the trapper, arrived for observation at St. Anthony's Hospital from Pukatawagan, 130 miles north of The Pas. First information of Colomb's condition came in a note to Cold Lake, fifty miles south of Pukatawagan, from Father E. Desormeaux.

Joseph Sinclair, the Indian youth, carried the note to Cold Lake airport officials. It asked that an airplane be sent immediately to carry Colomb to hospital.

WATCH OVER MAN

For four days and nights, the note said, the priest and three Indians held the delirious trapper from wandering to his death in the bush. At times they were forced to tie Colomb.

Sinclair arrived at Cold Lake a few hours after an airplane had hopped off on a routine flight to Pukatawagan. It took the young Indian forty-eight hours to cover the fifty miles.

The plane, piloted to Steve Albulet, returned to Cold Lake with the trapper and Father Desormeaux. The rest of the journey to hospital at The Pas was made by train.

Sinclair's great trek brought him a long-sought plane ride. He made his first journey by air back to Pukatawagan with Father Desormeaux.

HALF OF CARDIFF CHANGES OWNERS

Marquess of Bute Delivers Title To Vast Estates Sold for Many Millions

CARDIFF, Wales, Dec. 23 (AP).—"Half of Cardiff" was delivered by the Marquess of Bute to new owners today.

Estimates of the price involved in the mammoth sale last May 17 by the marquess, which involved, among other things, 20,000 houses and 250 saloons, have ranged from £5,000,000 to £20,000,000.

Lord Bute signed a great stack of documents while a representative of Western Ground Rents, Limited, watched. The company, controlled by three insurance companies, was formed to acquire the real estate in this seaport of 225,000 population.

Honored by the Emperor of Japan

His Imperial Majesty the Emperor of Japan has bestowed upon the Hon. Randolph Bruce, former Canadian Minister to Japan and former Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, a gift of a pair of solid silver Japanese Cloisonne vases, in recognition of his good work when in Tokio. This picture shows Baron Tomii, Japanese Minister to Canada, making the presentation to Mr. Bruce (left) at the Japanese Embassy in Ottawa.

LONDON SEES ICY HOLIDAY

Snow and Sleet Predicted as Homeward Travel to Country Begins

LONDON, Dec. 23 (CP).—Britons faced the first white Christmas in a decade as the great homeward trek for the holiday began tonight.

Railways ran extra trains, trebling many services to accommodate the heavy traffic. Snow-clogged roads, preventing comfortable automobile driving, turned thousands of extra travelers to the railroads.

Continued snow, sleet and frost were predicted, assuring the country of a Yuletide observed in a seasonable setting for the first time since 1927—barring a last-minute change in the weather, which it is never safe to rule out in this country.

SHORTAGE OF FOOD

A shortage of milk, coal, vegetables and flowers faced Londoners as transportation fought to restore normal services. The railway companies estimated the weather had cost them £250,000 (almost $1,250,000) in extra help and damage to rolling stock.

Two doubledecker buses skidded on a slippery street in Birkenhead and collided. One overturned. One person was killed and forty injured.

The cold wave threatened to disrupt the heavy holiday sports programme. Numerous soccer and Rugby fixtures for Saturday were canceled.

The river Foyle, at Londonderry, was frozen for the first time in fifty years. There is plenty of sleighing throughout the United Kingdom, but little skating, as ice was snow-covered and too thin.

Ship Disabled by Storm in Orient

TOKIO, Dec. 23 (CP-Havas).—An SOS, was picked up here tonight from the 4,084-ton British freighter Darcoila, reported disabled by a gale four miles south of Katsura Lighthouse, Chiba Prefecture. (The Darcoila, registered at Glasgow, is owned by the Fargo Shipping Company, Limited, according to Lloyd's Register).

Encouragement Is Keynote of Yule Greetings in B.C.

Visit of Their Majesties, King George and Queen Elizabeth, Seen as Outstanding Feature of Coming Year for Canada and Province—Hopes for World Peace Uppermost

THE world-wide wish for peace, and gratification that Their Majesties, King George and Queen Elizabeth, are to visit Canada next year featured season's greetings expressed yesterday at Government House, the Legislative Buildings, and elsewhere by leaders in the public life of the province. In response to invitation from The Colonist, the following messages to the public were transmitted:

HON. E. W. HAMBER

"As Christmas comes around once again, it is a pleasure for me, through the columns of your newspaper, to convey to the people of Victoria and Vancouver Island the sincerest wishes of Mrs. Hamber and myself for a very Happy Christmas, and, in the New Year, all prosperity.

"I am sure it is the fervent wish of us all that the forthcoming year will be one of peace and happiness, and the anticipated visit of His Majesty the King and Her Majesty the Queen to Canada and to our province will, I am sure, serve to make 1939 a year that will be remembered as a red-letter one in our history.

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MAN WHO SAVED JUMPER IN JAIL

James Morrison, Who Rescued Oscar Erickson, Held On Burglary Charge

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP).—By a strange twist of fate, Oscar Erickson, who made a 200-foot dive into the harbor, roamed the streets of Vancouver tonight with some thousand other carefree lumbermen, while the man who rescued him was held in jail, apparently destined to spend Christmas there.

James Morrison, who jumped from a passing ferry and probably prevented Erickson from drowning after he plunged into the water from the 200-foot high Lion's Gate Bridge, was arrested today on an attempted burglary charge. In a subsequent police court appearance he was remanded in custody until December 29. No bail was set.

Only yesterday Erickson was absolved from an attempted suicide charge by the same magistrate who remanded Morrison. Four companions agreed to see that he didn't get into any more trouble before he went back to the woods.

And when it comes to locating Erickson, its just about looking for a needle in a haystack. Apparently he wants to talk to as few people as possible about his experiences.

HOLIDAY CHEER NOT FOR JEWS

Thousands Return From Nazi Camps Suffering From "Accidents"

BERLIN, Dec. 23 (AP).—Thousands of Jews—many of them suffering from severe frostbite or bandaged for injuries—have returned home from concentration camps within the past two weeks to spend a cheerless Christmas.

Exactly how many Jews have been released since the raids which followed the synagogue burnings in November was not disclosed. Jewish quarters set the figure for all Germany at 7,000.

PREFERENCES GIVEN

Preference for release was given to Great War veterans, especially those holding military decorations.

Those who left the camps before the beginning of a cold wave, December 18, all had their heads shaven, and plaster or bandages on many indicated they had met with "accidents" in camp. They seemed to recuperate quickly, however.

But the story was different with men released during and after the freezing weather. There were reliable reports of men who had frozen limbs amputated. The concentration camps were not prepared for the cold.

Quads Celebrate On Christmas Day

SAINT JOHN, N.B., Dec. 23 (CP).—Canada's only quadruplets, the Mahaneys, are going to have a birthday cake for the first time in their lives. They were born on Christmas Day, so the Yuletide is a double event for the quads, who will be fifteen years old December 25. "I always said I'd wait until they were fifteen years old—then I would bake them a birthday cake," Mrs. W. T. Mahaney, mother of the three girls and a boy, said today.

TWENTY RESCUED WHEN SHIP SINKS

Eighteen Men and Two Women Taken Off Freighter in Gale-Swept Atlantic

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 (AP).—Twenty persons saved from death by heroic rescuers in the gale-swept Atlantic 600 miles east of New York, prepared tonight for a joyful Christmas on the American freighter Schodack.

The Schodack ploughed toward home after taking all hands—eighteen men and two women—safely off the sinking Norwegian freighter Smaragd, in seas so heavy that 500 barrels of fuel oil were spread for the rescue.

The Smaragd, out of Norfolk for Fort William, Scotland, and laden with oil, had sprung a leak and was listing badly in the heavy northwest wind.

FOUR DIE IN COLLISION

LIMA, O., Dec. 23 (AP).—Four persons were killed tonight when the automobile in which they were riding collided head-on with a south-bound Greyhound bus two miles north of here on Route 25.

Greetings Extended By Civic Dignitaries Of Greater Victoria

"A Merry Christmas to All" Is Wish of Mayor Andrew McGavin and Reeves of Three Municipalities, on Eve of Season of Good Will

ON the eve of the season of peace and good will among Christian nations, seasonal greetings and best wishes for prosperity in the New Year are extended by Mayor Andrew McGavin, and the reeves of three municipalities, in Christmas messages issued for publication in The Colonist this morning, as follows:

MAYOR McGAVIN

Mayor Andrew McGavin:

"For over nineteen centuries Christmas has been an inspiration to the people of all Christian nations. Even in this modern age, when materialism too often guides our outlook, nevertheless, Christmastide takes on a good deal of its real meaning, and is one season of the year when feelings of good will, helpfulness and kindliness to our fellow men take pride of place.

"This old world would make real progress if we could but keep this Christmas spirit alive throughout the year.

"I take pleasure in extending to all our citizens and all our guests that old-time greeting, 'A Merry Christmas'."

REEVE CROUCH

Reeve William Crouch, Saanich:

"This will probably be the last public message I will be giving to the people of Saanich for some little time.

"Might I say how very much I appreciate all the goodness and

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AT LEAST FOUR PERSONS MEET DEATH WHEN U.S. ARMY BOMBER CRASHES AFTER BIG EXPLOSION

Plane Plunges to Earth in Rainstorm in Alabama When Making Cross-Continent Flight—Seven Men Said to Have Been Aboard The Ill-Fated Machine

UNIONTOWN, Ala., Dec. 23 (AP).—Four persons—possibly seven—were killed tonight in the crash of a twin-motored United States Army bomber two and a half miles southeast of here. A terrific explosion, apparently before the plummeting plane struck the earth in a rainstorm, scattered wreckage over a 100-yard area.

Bodies were broken and mangled beyond recognition, although pocketbooks and other bits of identification were found for four men.

A plane which left March Field, Cal., yesterday for Mitchell Field, New York, was believed to be the one that crashed here.

Amid the confusion, efforts to identify the dead proceeded slowly.

At San Rafael, Cal., an unofficial army source said the plane was piloted by First Lieutenant James D. Underhill, twenty-eight, of Hamilton Field, whose pocketbook was found in the wreckage. Second Lieutenant John Pollard, of the Air Corps Reserve, was listed as co-pilot. Both he and Underhill were unmarried.

OTHERS AT TAKE-OFF

Others in the crew at the March Field take-off included Crew Chief Johnson, first name unknown. A notebook bearing the name S.S. (possibly staff sergeant) Johnson

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Santa Claus Gets Surprise Answer For Old Question

CALGARY, Dec. 23 (CP).—A little boy, with a smear across his face, watched Santa Claus juggling toys in the downtown store with open-mouthed adoration. Then the great one saw him, approached him and patted his head. "And what would you like for Christmas, my little man?" the hearty voice boomed. "Gosh," came the reply, "didn't you get my letter yet?"

PARTY GAIN IS PREDICTED

Manitoba Leader Says King-Duplessis Split Should Aid Conservatives

"In my opinion the Duplessis-King difficulty is bound to have a favorable reaction so far as the Conservative Party is concerned. More particularly is it likely to have a good effect in Quebec, because the Mackenzie King Government has made a definite stand against Mr. Duplessis."

Such was the view expressed last night by Errick F. Willis, Leader of the Conservative Party in the Manitoba Legislative Assembly, who arrived in Victoria yesterday to spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Anson D. Mann, 644 Linden Avenue.

Return to power for the Conservative Party in his own province at the elections that are almost certain to be held next year is predicted by Mr. Willis, who believes the Government will go to the country in June.

MINORITY GOVERNMENT

The Liberal Progressive Government has continued in power only because of the alliances it has made, and even now is a minority Government, having only twenty-three seats out of fifty-five, Mr. Willis said. The Conservative Party has sixteen seats, C.C.F.-Labor seven, and Social Credit five. Two seats are held by by Independents, one by a Socialist and one by a Communist.

Mr. Willis was a member of the House of Commons from 1930 to 1935, and was beaten in 1935 by three votes, after three recounts. In June, 1936, he became leader of the Manitoba Conservatives, and in the

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Conservative Leader Is Visitor to Victoria

ERRICK F. WILLIS

LEADER of the Conservative party in the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba, who arrived in Victoria yesterday, to spend the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. Anson D. Mann, 644 Linden Avenue. Mr. Willis, who has led his party since June, 1936, nominated Hon. Dr. R. J. Manion as Dominion leader of the Conservative party at the national convention.

LONG-AWAITED DRIVE STARTED

Insurgents Launch Offensive Against Catalonia—Many Prisoners Taken

HENDAYE, France, Dec. 23 (AP).—The Spanish Government announced tonight insurgents had launched a long-awaited general offensive against Catalonia, northeastern section of Government Spain.

A communique from Barcelona, Government capital, said General Francisco Franco's troops, backed by heavy artillery and airplane bombardments, had attacked in the Tremp sector, northwest of Barcelona.

Insurgent dispatches reported Franco's forces had advanced an average of six and a quarter miles by nightfall and had taken more than 1,000 prisoners as well as a huge quantity of arms, munitions and tanks.

A violent battle in the drive with which insurgents hoped to end the thirty-month-old civil war, continued tonight. Earlier dispatches from both sides agreed there had been a series of insurgent attacks along the east bank of the Segre River, near Tremp, the Government's first line of defence against a drive from the northwest against the Government capital.

The Government communique said the attackers had been repulsed with heavy losses, but insurgent advices asserted Catalan defences had been broken at several points.

Continental Solidarity Accord Near

LIMA, Dec. 23 (AP).—The Pan-American Conference moved close to a declaration of continental solidarity late today when the Argentina and Uruguayan delegations signed the majority agreement circulated by Dr. Carlos Concha, Conference head. Only Brazil remained to sign the declaration to which twenty of the twenty-one republics represented here have now agreed.

It was reported reliably that Afranio Mello Franco, former Brazilian Foreign Minister and head of his nation's delegation, was preparing to withdraw a minority declaration in favor of the majority agreement.

Growing Resentment Against Germany Is Seen at Washington

Roosevelt May Make Strong Pronouncement on International Affairs in Address to Congress—German Press Warns of Diplomatic Break

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 (AP).—The new tension between Washington and Berlin over Interior Secretary's Ickes' denunciation of dictatorships has intensified interest in what President Roosevelt may say to the United States Congress on January 4 on international affairs.

There was great firmness in the State Department's rejection of Germany's demand for an apology for Ickes' remarks, which castigated Nazi persecutions of Jews or other racial or religious groups as reversion to the Dark Ages. What Acting State Secretary Welles added, unquestionably with complete White House approval, provided an even better clue to the probable mood of the President.

Wells said in effect that the Ickes speech represented the view of the overwhelming majority of Americans. Most observers expect the President himself to express to Congress the same thought as to what has been happening in Germany in recent months.

MORAL QUARANTINE

There has been no doubt from the very inception of the new wave of Jewish repressions in Germany that the Roosevelt administration was bent on seizing every opportunity to

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ROYAL FAMILY TO CELEBRATE

Christmas Eve Party Set for Workers at Sandringham—Princesses Excited

LONDON, Dec. 23 (CP).—The Royal Family will have a children's Christmas party at Sandringham, with everybody present except the Harewoods and the Duke of Windsor.

The Earl and Countess of Harewood, with two sons growing up, will hold a family party of their own, as usual, at their home near Leeds.

It will be an exciting morning still for Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret when they come downstairs in the morning to give and receive presents. But as Elizabeth is now twelve years old and Margaret eight the greatest shouting is expected from Prince Edward of Kent, three, with a contribution from Princess Alexandra, his sister.

DOUBLY IMPORTANT

Princess Alexandra may have some difficulty realizing December 25 means two important things in her life—Christmas Day and her birthday anniversary. She will be two.

The children will enjoy the company of their parents; their grandmother, Queen Mary, and the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester, who returned recently from a hunting trip in Kenya.

Early in December the King sent to Sandringham and arranged preliminary details of the Christmas Eve party at which he and the Queen and other members of the Sandringham house party will entertain the workers and tenants in the ballroom before a great Christmas tree. On the tree will be hung gifts from members of the Royal Family to all their servants.

WRECK SURVIVORS TAKEN TO SAFETY

Sixteen Seamen, Stranded Twelve Days Ago Taken on Planes And Coast Guard Cutter

JUNEAU, Alaska, Dec. 23 (AP).—United States coastguardsmen and navy pilots completed rescue today of sixteen survivors of the motorship Patterson, wrecked twelve days ago in a storm on the bleak Alaskan coast.

Two United States navy planes from the Sitka base took seven seamen there this afternoon, after the coast guard cutter Haida took aboard the other nine survivors.

Both groups were picked up at Lituya Bay, where the seamen hiked through rain, snow and wind this week from the scene of the Patterson's mishap, thirty miles away. One man was lost in the wreck, and another drowned later.

ROBERT HERRICK DEAD

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 (AP).—Death of Robert Herrick, seventy-one, author and Government secretary of the Virgin Islands, was announced today. Among his books were "The Web of Life," "A Life for a Life," "The Real World," "The Conscript Mother" and "Homely Lilla."

Government Prepares For 1939 Session of Dominion Parliament

Cabinet Council Meets and Makes Various Appointments to Diplomatic Posts—Change in Ministry Not Likely Until General Election

OTTAWA, Dec. 23 (CP).—A series of morning and afternoon Cabinet sessions has brought preparations for the opening of Parliament, January 12, to a state of readiness seldom achieved this early, and only one meeting, December 29, is scheduled for the holiday week.

Rumored Cabinet changes, involving appointment of a new Postmaster-General, may not take place until after the session, according to unofficial reports. It believed Hon. J. C. Elliott, Postmaster-General, would be appointed to the Senate and one of the Ontario members placed at the head of that department.

Mr. Elliott has been ill, but now is recovering and may be well enough to carry on at the head of his department until the general elections at least.

FOREIGN LEGATIONS

Appointments to the Paris and Netherlands legations have been made, but official announcement awaits formal acceptance by the foreign Governments concerned of those who have been selected.

It is understood those selected are Lieut.-Col. G. P. Vanier, secretary to the Canadian High Commissioner's office in London, as minister to France, and Jean Dest, counsellor at the Paris legation, to the dual ministry of Belgium and Holland.

Prime Minister Mackenzie King said appointment of a minister to Japan, to succeed Hon. Randolph Bruce, whose resignation has been received, will be delayed.

ROAD COMMISSION

Outstanding among announcements from the Prime Minister's office this week was the recognition of the Italian conquest of Ethiopia, and the appointment of a five-member commission to study the United States plan of a highway through British Columbia and Yukon Territory to Alaska.

The commission, headed by Hon. Charles Stewart, chairman of the International Joint Commission, will serve without pay and will be similar to a United States commission of five appointed some time ago for the same purpose.

PARTY GAIN IS PREDICTED

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following month the Government went to the country, so that the Conservative Party had no opportunity to organize and won only nine seats. Since then the party had increased its membership in the Provincial House to sixteen, and consequently Mr. Willis is very hopeful of success at the next election.

MANY CHANGES

"The present Government was originally the United Farmers of Manitoba, but later took in the Liberals, and now has formed an alliance with the Social Credit Party, thereby keeping itself in by a majority of one," Mr. Willis said. "On several issues during the last session, Premier John Bracken got by with a majority of only two, and has consistently been defeated in committees."

The major issues in Manitoba today are chiefly those of taxation, he explained. The Conservative platform is one of reduction in taxation, reduction in interest rates, modernizing of the education system, increased rural hospitalization, and a five-year plan of road paving. At present Manitoba has about 400 miles of paved roads, and the remainder are of all-weather gravel.

"Manitoba is at present giving special consideration to the probable paving of roads leading to national parks," Mr. Willis stated.

MANITOBA FARMER

Mr. Willis, who nominated Hon. Dr. R. J. Manion as Dominion Conservative leader, also attended the British Columbia Conservative convention in Kamloops, at which R. L. Maitland, K.C., M.P.P., was chosen as leader of the party in this province. In 1937 he traveled 20,000 miles by car, and addressed sixty-five meetings, and this year has covered 17,000 miles and addressed forty-three meetings. He practised law until five years ago, and today, in addition to his political activities, runs an agricultural farm at Boissevain, Man.

Mr. Willis will leave Victoria next Friday, to spend the New Year holidays in Vancouver, on his way back home.

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kindness shown to me, and to sincerely wish one and all a bright and happy Christmas. To the men and women who are finding the struggle for existence a very hard one, my thoughts cannot help but go out. Might I say to you, look upward with courage, faith and hope; the clouds may be rolling away sooner than you expect and the silver lining appear.

"Peace on earth, good will towards men — what a glorious thing this would be if we could only carry it in our hearts at all times!

"The best of good wishes to all, and again, a happy Christmas."

REEVE TAYLOR

Reeve R. R. Taylor, Oak Bay:

"I wish to take this opportunity of wishing all our citizens a hearty greeting at this festive season.

"Since this season last year we find a great many new residents who have built homes or moved into Oak Bay. To these in particular, as well as to our older residents, I wish a very merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous 1939, and trust that everybody in our municipality will do all they can to expand the proper season's greetings to all."

REEVE LOCKLEY

Reeve Alex Lockley, Esquimalt:

"At this season of the year, more than any other, one naturally is anxious as to the general business conditions in his district, and as far as Esquimalt is concerned, they may be described as very good. We have had a splendid year, all our industrial plants have been busy, the number on relief has decreased, and this, I am sure, will be reflected in the general good time that will be experienced by most of our people.

"May I, at this time, wish all our residents and the people of Greater Victoria a very merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year."

CHRISTMAS TREE CROP

CRANBROOK, B.C., Dec. 23 (CP).—More than 150,000 Christmas trees have been cut near Cranbrook this year for a Puyallup, Wash., company, which ships them to Central and Southern States. The new industry gave temporary emploment to many residents. Prices ranged from 18 to 78 cents a tree.

FIVE INJURED IN ACCIDENTS

Three Persons in Hospital As Result of Traffic Mishaps Here

Three pedestrians and two cyclists were injured in traffic accidents yesterday, three seriously enough to require hospital treatment. Four of the accidents occurred in Victoria and one in Esquimalt.

Mrs. William Caffrey, Beecher Bay, was struck by an automobile driven by Gordon A. Weir, Metchosin, as she was crossing Douglas Street at Fisgard Street at 5 o'clock, according to a police report. First aid was rendered at the police station, and she was then removed to the Jubilee Hospital, where she was attended by Dr. A. D. Bechtel. Her condition is not regarded as serious.

Arthur Inglis, 1664 Dallas Road, reported to police that his automobile knocked down Mrs. G. Smith, of Canterbury Road, Saanich. The accident occured on Cook Street about 5:30 o'clock. Mrs. Smith was first taken home, and later removed to St. Joseph's Hospital where she was placed under observation by Dr. A. C. Sinclair. Her injuries consist of a possible fractured vertebra and bruised legs.

Miss Young, 1241 Rudlin Road, was knocked down on Rudlin Road by a bicycle ridden by a newspaper delivery boy at 4.40 o'clock. She received slight bruises.

An eleven-year-old cyclist, Frank Hulbert, 2574 Graham Street, was in collision with a car in charge of John M. Greenwood, 1056 Falmouth Road, about 1:45 yesterday afternoon, at the intersection of Kings Road and Quadra Street, it was reported to police. The boy, suffering from possible internal injuries, was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital, where Dr. W. H. Moore attended.

Another cyclist, Bert Bailey, Old Esquimalt Road, was struck by an automobile on Esquimalt Road. The name of the driver of the car was not made available. He sustained back injuries.

PROPOSES NEW RELIEF SCHEME

A meeting of the executive committee of the local post of the Native Sons of Canada will be held to consider a plan of settlement for relief families, sponsored by service clubs and other similar public bodies, following the suggestion of Louis LeBourdais, M.P.P. for Cariboo, at a meeting in the A.O.F. Hall on Thursday.

Mr. LeBourdais urged the local post to seek the support of the Native Sons of Canada for the scheme, which advocated the choosing of likely families from relief rolls and, with a Government grant of land, assisting them with relief allowances during the settlement period.

The executive which will meet includes W. J. Holman, past president; E. A. Walls, president; J. Givens, first vice-president, and R. D. McLachlan, recording secretary.

A Christmas tree and entertainment was also held by the post, with Fred Marconi as chairman and Ed Logan acting as Santa Claus.

RESENTMENT AGAINST GERMANY IS GROWING

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promote a virtual moral quarantine of Germany by world opinion.

There is a widespread impression in Washington that the German apology demand was intended more as a propaganda manoeuvre, aimed to influence the Lima Pan-American Conference, than anything else. If so, it missed fire. The Lima meeting adopted a resolution saying "democratic conceptions of the state guarantee to all individuals the essential conditions for development of their legitimate activities on a dignified basis." It was aimed directly at the situation in Germany.

PRESS ISSUES WARNING

BERLIN, Dec. 23 (CP).—The controlled Nazi press warned tonight that Interior Secretary Ickes' "course" might lead to a break in diplomatic relations between United States and Germany.

The Hamburg Fremdenblatt, influential businessman's newspaper of North Germany, joined the widely-read Berlin Lokalanzeiger in declaring editorially that the aim of Ickes, a member of President Roosevelt's Cabinet, and his "group" was to lead the way to rupture between the two Governments.

These editorial warnings apparently were the Nazi answer, for the present, to the rebuff by Sumner Welles, acting secretary of state, of the German Government's request for an apology for an address made by Ickes at Cleveland, Sunday.

German officials continued their silence, and the press so far has not published news of the protest or Welles' answer.

Ickes, the Hamburger Fremdenblatt declared, "only fulfills the programme of his Weltanschaulichen friends (meaning Jews and Marxists) when he obviously wants to force by his course of action a diplomatic break between the United States and the German Reich."

The controlled press broadened the quarrel by charging, among other things, that Ickes and Senator Key Pittman belonged to a group of "war instigators."

Lokalanzeiger said the "aim" of the group was to "let matters come to a breaking off of diplomatic relations" between Washington and the Berlin and Tokio Governments.

Press ridicule of President Roosevelt and fresh attacks on Ickes and Pittman were interspersed with such phrases as "rupture" and "abrogation of German-American relations."

A Government spokesman said official comment undoubtedly would come "in due time."

ATLANTIC FLEET

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 (AP).—The United States Navy announced today, at a moment of grave friction with Germany, that its temporary squadron in the Atlantic would soon become a permanent fleet unit of thirty-five warships.

At the same time it was learned some study was being given here to economic weapons, including a complete embargo which could be used if relations between the two countries became much worse.

The State Department emphasized that relations could deteriorate further only if Germany acted, inasmuch as there was no inclination here to continue the controversy over Interior Secretary Ickes' recent criticism of the Nazi dictatorship.

HAS POWERFUL WEAPON

Attention turned in some quarters here to a little-known, powerful and never used section of the 1930 tariff law, which would permit the President to ban all German produce and completely kill German shipping to the United States if he decided "the public interest would be served thereby."

A step in that direction was taken October 15, 1935, by placing Germany on the trade blacklist for alleged discrimination against United States goods. This blacklisting deprives Germany of tariff concessions granted other nations.

AT LEAST FOUR DIE IN BOMBER CRASH

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was found here. Also in the crew was Private Narro. Passengers included Private Jones and Lieutenant Hon. H. Hyde, of the 30th Infantry, San Francisco, and a Captain Reiber, first name and service affiliation unknown.

The Times-Journal of nearby Selma, Ala., said it had also tentatively identified the body of Warren Wunderlich, of Los Angeles, rank unknown.

At Dallas, Texas, it was reported seven men were aboard the big B-18 type plane when it left Hensley Field there.

DEDICATE HITLER SQUARE

BRATISLAVA, Czecho-Slovakia, Dec. 23 (OP-Havas).—The first square in Czecho-Slovakia named after Chancellor Hitler of Germany was dedicated today in the town of Nemecke Pravno, in Slovakia.

DOG ANSWERED

DANVILLE, Va., Dec. 23 (AP).—Mrs. Eunice Davis lost her dog, placed an advertisement in The Danville Register. William Vernon, who took the ad, returned home at the end of the day to find Mrs. Davis' dog sitting on his front porch.

Student Nurses Enjoy Christmas Party and Tree

The Nurses' Home at the Jubilee Hospital was the scene last night of the annual student nurses' Christmas party, attended by about 100 guests representing the various classes. Capt. Hugh Allan represented the hospital board of directors, and Miss Lena Mitchell, director of nurses, and Miss Curry, assistant superintendent, were also present and enjoyed the entertaining burlesques staged by the several groups. Gifts were distributed from a beautiful decked tree, and the party concluded with a general sing-song, the serving of refreshments, and dancing.

PERISH IN EXPLOSION

MALONE, N.Y., Dec. 23 (AP).—Three children perished and their twenty-five-year-old mother was burned critically in an explosion and fire which destroyed their home near here today. The mother, Mrs. Armand Martin, is in hospital.

MUSIC FOR CHRISTMAS

CALGARY, Dec. 23 (CP).—Bold thieves backed a truck up to the loading platform of Howe's music store here early today and took electrical goods worth between $500 and $600. A large quantity of musical instruments were taken to the platform for a return trip, but the truck never came back.

FIX LIMIT FOR GRAIN TRADING

U.S. Commodity Exchange Commission Aims to Control Futures Speculation

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 (AP).—The Commodity Exchange Commission issued an order today placing limits on speculative trading in grain in United States futures contracts markets.

Designed to prevent wide fluctuation in grain prices as the result of speculative operations, the order placed the limit on the net long or short position which any trader may hold on a single market at 2,000,000 bushels in any one future or in all futures combined, of any one grain.

The order also placed the limit of 3,000,000 bushles on the net position of a trader operating in more than one market, providing no more than 2,000,000 bushels is in any one future.

The order, which becomes effective December 31, places the same limits on the amount of purchases or sales that may be made during one business day.

In other words, a trader operating on the long side of the wheat market may not be under contract in a single market to buy more than 2,000,000 bushels in any one or all delivery months, or more than 3,000,000 bushels in more than one market. Likewise, a short trader may not be under contract in a single market to sell more than 2,000,000 bushels of wheat, or more than 3,000,000 bushels in more than one market.

3,000 TURKEYS DIE

OAKDALE, Calif., Dec. 23 (AP).—Three thousand turkeys from the flock of O. E. Salyer, of Valley Home, were dead today from eating mouldy maize, and the owner estimated his loss at $15,000.

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Solarium Children's Annual Entertainment Charms Big Audience

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Hamber Among the Many Present at Christmas Programme Given by Little Patients

THE annual Christmas tree party at the Queen Alexandra Solarium took place yesterday afternoon, among those present to enjoy the children's cleverly-presented programme being His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. E. W. Hamber.

Gay with Christmas decorations, including beautifully lighted and tinsel-trimmed trees in each of the four wards, the Solarium emanated the Yuletide spirit. A larger number of visitors than usual attended and applauded the happy little performers in the musical play, "Woman in the Shoe," which was presented under the direction of Miss D. Longley, who with the school teacher, Miss Graham, had trained the children in their parts.

The stage was like a picture in a child's story-book, the little actors making their entrance to the garden from an enormous shoe, complete with red-shingled roof, door and window. The costumes were charming, and each of the characters spoke and sang, marched and danced, with earnest enjoyment of the moment, and completely lacking in self-consciousness. First was the singing in unison of "Woman in the Shoe," the voices backstage being Eleanor Sherriff, Jean McLeod, Theresa Cunningham, Jack Slater, Jack White and Emmar Zarko.

Then, in order of their introduction, appeared the following characters, all from "The Old Woman's" numerous household: The butler and cook, impersonated by Billy Thomas and Emma Trembley; the ginger-bread boy, Billy Wallace; the butcher boy, Eleanor Flewin; the baker boy, Edna Wallace; Jack and Jill, Tommy Pascuzzi and Pat Bundock; the painted doll, Elaine McNie; two little girls who did a tap-dance, Elaine McNie and Doris Shrimpton; two smart guards, resplendent in busbies and scarlet tunics, Creighton Gilbert and Ronnie Musfelt.

A RECITATION

A very popular item was Patricia Bundock's recitation, "When I Was One," which was quickly followed by a charming scene representing Christopher Robin (Lorraine Gorrie) "saying his prayers"; Miss Sheila Conway, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. C. C. Warn, singing the pretty verses while "Christopher" went through the motions. A particularly pretty chorus was "They're Changing the Guard at Buckingham Palace."

The children's part in the entertainment concluded with the singing of four carols, "Holy Night," "Sleep Thou Holy Child," "O, Come All Ye Faithful," and "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing."

CHAIRMAN'S GREETINGS

Dr. J. D. Hunter, M.P.P., president of the Solarium board, acted as chairman, and in welcoming His Honor and Mrs. Hamber (who were accompanied by Mrs. M. Rice and Lt.-Col. Hugh Allan, A.D.C.), thanked them and the many other friends, who had shown such generous interest in the children; and also expressed appreciation of the part played by the various members of the staff in preparing the children. In this connection reference was made to the matron, Miss S. Dorothy Andrew, who was responsible also for the decorations, Miss Longley and Miss Graham.

Before the programme concluded His Honor was asked to present the Dame Millicent Fawcett prizes to "best boy" and "best girl," these being won this year by Godfrey Speck and "Jill" Shrimpton, respectively. The prize for the former was "Chums—1939," and to "Jill" was presented Audrey Alexandra Brown's sympathetic story of her many months spent in the Solarium as a patient, "Log of a Lame Duck." Godfrey Speck received his prize while lying in a cot recently presented by the mess of H.M.C.S. St. Laurent, the details of the generous gift being recited by the chairman, who also expressed the board's appreciation. A neat silver plate over the head of the bed cites the name of the donor.

SPECIAL GIFTS

Before Santa Claus announced his arrival, the children themselves presented a few little gifts, one to Mrs. Hamber, and others to the medical superintendent, Dr. Glenn Simpson; to Dr. Anderson; to the chaplain, Rev. Mr. Willis, and to the guest artists, Miss Sheila Conway and Mrs. Warn.

While the visitors repaired to the playroom for the sumptuous tea arranged by Miss R. Ransom, the dietitian, Santa Claus made his way through the wards distributing wonderful gifts from a huge sack on his back; roller coasters, ukuleles, electric trains, books, puzzles and bed games of every imaginable variety, sewing sets and various useful and attractive things to wear for the girls, dial telephones, electric receiving sets, checkers, and, for the smaller kiddies, softballs and teddy bears and dolls. Later in the evening a generous supply of ice cream, the gift of the Palm Dairy, was served to the children.

Great interest was taken by visitors in the display of handicrafts made by the children. These were for sale, and netted $102 during the afternoon, Miss L. Rozzman, of Nanaimo, being the winner of the rug.

Among the directors present were, in addition to Dr. Hunter, the chairman; Mrs. Curtis Sampson, Mrs. William Peden, Mrs. Mugford, Charles Williams, C. H. French, S. J. Drake, E. W. McMullen, Capt. Hugh Allan, and the secretary, Miss Russell. Dr. Cook and Mrs. T. C. Robson (representing the Women's Institute, which was responsible for the inception of the Solarium) were also among those present.

Illuminated trees in the grounds commemorated the late H. Goulding Wilson, first president of the board, and the late J. P. Babcock, for many years the Government representative on the board.

GIFT OF AN ARM

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP).—James Bell was happy today because he's getting "a better Christmas present than anybody"—the use of his right arm. Bell was wounded in the Spanish civil war. A Vancouver doctor operated on his useless arm, and today confirmed Bell's belief the operation was successful.

Clothing Shipped to Needy Families

ON its way to the railway station in Vancouver, twenty-seven large bundles of clothing destined for the Peace River Block for distribution among distressed families was photographed recently, with Miss Frances Kirkpatrick, R.N., supervisor of Outpost Hospitals, standing beside it. The clothing was collected at the instigation of the British Columbia Division of the Canadian Red Cross Society, which has asked the press to thank the many generous donors (many of whom sent money as well as clothing). The supplies have been sent direct to the Red Cross Outpost Hospital in the Peace River Block, from which point distribution will be made to the distressed families in the Cecil Lake area, ninety miles beyond the head of steel.

CROWN FILES DEFENCE IN GAS APPEAL

Province Contends Petroleum Control Board Act Within Its Powers

SUGGESTS RIGHT TO FIX GASOLINE PRICE

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP).—The Crown, in a defence plea entered in Supreme Court today, contended its Coal and Petroleum Control Board Act, by which it ordered a province-wide reduction in gasoline prices, was within powers of the Province.

Nine gasoline companies are contesting the Government's right to reduce the price of gas from three to six cents throughout the province, as recently ordered by the Provincial Coal and Petroleum Board. Trial of the validity of the act which set up the fuel board is scheduled to be heard January 9.

In the meantime the gas companies have obtained an injunction restraining Dr. W. A. Carrothers, fuel board commissioner, from putting the reduction into effect.

CLAIMS SET OUT

The defence, entered by H. Alan Maclean, departmental solicitor at Victoria on behalf of the Attorney-General, the board and Dr. Carrothers, contends:

1. That the petroleum industry is wholly a provincial business, and the regulation of such business is within the Province's legislative powers.

2. That the business of producing, refining and selling petroleum products is not inter-provincial international in character.

(The nine gasoline companies claimed the petroleum business was international in character, and therefore out of the legislative jurisdiction of the Province.)

REFERS TO REPORT

3. That the amendment to the act passed at the last session of the Legislature, declaring the Government was not implementing reports of Mr. Justice M. A. Macdonald in setting up the fuel board, is ultra vires of the Legislature.

(Mr. Justice Macdonald was appointed by the Government to investigate the coal and petroleum industries.)

The defence document further states the appointment of Mr. Justice Macdonald is irrelevant in any of the matters at issue in the action and declared that only by a perusal of all his reports can the true meaning and significance of his findings be understood.

The defence further contends the Macdonald reports are irrelevant in the court issue and that both the Provincial Coal and Petroleum Control Board Act of 1937 and the amendment passed at the last session of the Legislature, are intra vires of the Provincial Legislature.

LOTS OF PORK

RIDGETOWN, Ont., Dec. 23 (CP).—The Ridgetown Market handled 8,000 pigs in 1938, enough pork to supply everyone in Ontario with a dinner. Estimated total weight was 1,280,000 pounds, sufficient for 3,840,000 meals.

"GIFTS" FROM THE SKY

HELENA, Mont., Dec. 23 (AP).—Christmas presents rained from the sky near Helena—but the finders gave them back. Investigation disclosed a compartment door of a westbound Northwest Air Lines plane had come open, dropping a package near one farmer's doorstep, draping one mail pouch over a telephone line and depositing another in a clump of weeds. Assistant Postmaster Fred Mayer said today all the lost mail was recovered.

GIVE AWAY MONEY

INDIAN HEAD, Sask., Dec. 23 (CP).—An anonymous donor on Saturday, December 24, will hand out dimes to every Indian Head child between six and twelve, and five cents each to those under six, capable of reaching the town office under his or her own power. A sign in the postoffice says "it's no foolin'." Santa Claus is suspected.

DR. McPHILLIPS' DEATH MOURNED

Noted Surgeon and Physician Passes at Vancouver at Seventy-Three

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP).—Dr. Francis Xavier McPhillips, one of Vancouver's best-known physicians, died of pneumonia today in St. Paul's Hospital, the institution he served as staff member for many years.

The seventy-three-year-old doctor was taken to hospital on December 1, when his condition became serious. He had been in a delicate state of health since the Winter of 1931, at which time he rallied from a similar illness.

Dr. McPhillips came to Vancouver in 1893 and rapidly established a reputation as a skillful surgeon and consultant. He joined the staff of the original St. Paul's in 1894, serving there until his retirement a few years ago.

He was the son of Irish parents, to whom he was born at Richmond Hill, Ont., in 1866. He received his elementary education at his birthplace. In 1886 he graduated as batchelor of arts from Manitoba College at Winnipeg and the same college granted him his M.D. degree in 1889.

RAILWAY SURGEON

His first post after setting up in practice was that of surgeon for the Manitoba division of Northern Pacific Railroad. He then came to Vancouver.

He gained prominence as staff surgeon at St. Paul's and in 1913 the American College of Surgeons at convocation in Chicago recognized his achievements by naming him to the board of governors.

The doctor was interested in civic affairs and was a member of Knights of Columbus and the Vancouver Club.

He is survived by three daughters, one son, two brothers and a sister. R. C. McPhillips, of Winnipeg, Dominion and Manitoba land surveyor and civil engineer, is a brother, and Mrs. E. Bemister, of Winnipeg, a sister.

Another brother, L. G. McPhillips, K.C., is a well-known Vancouver barrister.

The late Mr. Justice A. E. McPhillips, of the British Columbia Court of Appeal, Victoria, was a brother.

CHRISTMAS TREE AND PARTY HELD

Chemainus Longshoremen's Association Entertains Children—Prizes Distributed to Youngsters

CHEMAINUS, Dec. 23.—On Tuesday evening the Chemainus and District Longshoremen's Association held its Christmas tree and entertainment. While waiting for Santa Claus to arrive, F. Merrifield, from Victoria, kept the children and adults in an uproar of laughter. A vocal selection by Miss Mavis Wood was followed by the arrival of a number of visitors from Vancouver, including Capt. W. M. Crawford, Empire Stevedoring Co.; H. Drinkwater; E. Condon, editor of The Labor Truth; Col. McLellan and Captain Williams, Ladysmith. The guests were welcomed by H. Ewart. Col. McLellan expressed pleasure in joining with Capt. Crawford. All children were next called up to pay a visit to Capt. Crawford and Mr. Drinkwater, and children under ten received a fifty-cent piece, those over ten a new dollar bill. Three hearty cheers for Capt. Crawford followed. The committee responsible for the great success included: H. Ewart, C. Sheilito, A. Scott, Chemainus; S. Jones, Westholme, and B. Dyke, Crofton.

PARTY NEXT WEDNESDAY

The monthly bridge and five hundred party will be held in the Legion Hall at Langford on Wednesday at 8 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

Obituary

STUART—There passed away at St. Joseph's Hospital yesterday James Stuart, of Miller Avenue, Saanich, aged seventy-one years. He was born in Bracebridge, Ontario, and had been a resident of this city for over twelve years. He was a member of the Britannia Branch, Canadian Legion. He is survived by three sisters at the residence, Miller Avenue. The funeral will be held from Hayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel on Tuesday at 2 p.m., Rev. J. L. W. McLean, minister of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, officiating, and interment will be made in Royal Oak Burial Park.

MITCHELL — Stephen Mitchell died early yesterday at his home, 1442 Camosun Street, aged sixty-three years. He was born in England and for thirteen years had resided in Edmonton, where he was proprietor of a bakery, and for twelve years was in Nelson until his retirement three years ago, when he came to Victoria to make his home. He was a member of Nelson I.O.O.F. He leaves his wife, at home; three brothers, Alex., in Vancouver; Philip J., in Winnipeg, and Walter and three sisters in England. Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Sands Mortuary, Rev. G. R. V. Bolster and the Odd Fellows' service board officiating. Interment in Colwood Burial Park.

STEWART—At the Royal Jubilee Hospital, there passed away Thursday afternoon, Douglas Stewart, of 1145 Rockland Avenue. Mr. Stewart, who was forty-seven years of age, is survived by one sister. Announcement of the funeral service will be made by S. J. Curry & Son on the arrival of Miss Stewart from Winnipeg.

MADIGAN — Word has been received in the city of the death of Miss Mary Elizabeth Madigan, who passed away in Hollywood on Tuesday. She was a sister of Mrs. A. Lineham, well known in Victoria, and who is now living in San Francisco, and was the aunt of Harold A. Lineham, of this city. Miss Madigan in her earlier life was a trained nurse in Victoria, having graduated from St. Joseph's Hospital more than forty years ago, and was a resident of Victoria for more than sixty years. She was buried in Hollywood.

McFEAT—Rev. Norman J. Crees conducted a sympathetic funeral service Friday afternoon for Mrs. Mary Hood McFeat. The friends present and the beautiful floral tributes received testified to the high esteem in which Mrs. McFeat was held. Interment was made in the family plot at Ross Bay Cemetery with the following acting as pallbearers: H. C. Rose, R. G. Ker, Robert Hearl and Douglas MacKenzie. S. J. Curry & Son had charge of arrangements.

WARNER—There was a large congregation of sorrowing friends present at the funeral of William C. Warner, which was held yesterday afternoon from the Thomson Funeral Home, Rev. P. C. Hayman officiating. Among the floral tributes was a wreath from the Victoria Conservative Association. The hymn sung was "Abide With Me." The following were pallbearers: Frank Higgins, K.C.; Stuart Smith, George Elgin, F. J. Popham, Dale Jonhson and Henry Holmes. Interment was made in the Royal Oak Burial Park.

REED—The funeral of Mrs. Leila Reed will be held from Hayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel this afternoon at 3:15 o'clock, Rev. A. E. G. Hendy conducting the services, and interment will be made in Royal Oak Burial Park.

FULLER — The private funeral services for Johnny Kersey Fuller were held in Hayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel yesterday afternoon, Rev. A. E. G. Hendy officiating, followed by cremation.

STEWART—Funeral services for Henry Stanley Stewart, 728 Kings Road, will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock at Sands' Mortuary Chapel. Rev. J. Mackie Niven will officiate.

She—Funny, no one seemed to realize what a "bad egg" he was while he was rich!

He—My dear, a "bad egg" is only known when it's "broke"!

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Tapestry-Covered Footstool	1.49	Occasional Chairs	8.50
End Tables	1.65	Congoleum Rug, 9.0 x 10.6	9.65
Silk Cushions	1.75	Brass Companion Sets	8.75
Bed Lamps	1.75	Brass Fire Screens	8.90
Reversible Bedroom Rugs	1.75	Trilite Lamps	9.90
Pedestal Smokers' Stand	1.85	Sewing Cabinets	9.75
Card Tables	1.95	Pure Wool Blankets, pair	9.75
Leatherette Hassocks	1.95	Superior Smokers' Cabinet	10.90
Bed Comforters	2.75	Nest of Tables	14.75
Simmons Dreamrose Pillows	2.75	Spring-Filled Mattresses	15.90
Bronze Companion Sets	2.75	Telephone Desk and Chair	16.75
Flannelette Sheets, extra large, pair	2.95	Cedar Chests	16.95
Superior Cushions	2.95	Child's Steel Crib, complete	17.25
Hall Mirrors	3.25	Silk Taffeta Eiderdowns	19.50
Metal Fern Stands	3.35	Enamel Kitchen Suites	19.50
Table Lamps	3.50	Bookcases	19.75
Bridge Lamps, complete	3.50	Complete Bed Outfits	19.90
Rayon Bedspreads	3.50	Tea Wagons	19.75
Axminster Hearth Rugs	3.90	Desks, drop-lid style	21.75
Wool Bedside Rugs	3.95	Barrymore Carpets, 6.9 x 9.0	24.25
Fireside Dog Sets	4.50	Cellarettes with Decanter and Glasses	25.00
Fire Screens	4.50	Superior Cedar Chests	25.00
Bissell Carpet Sweepers	4.75	Guaranteed Spring-Filled Mattresses	25.50
Pure Wool Bedthrows	4.95	Loose Covers for 3-pce. suite	33.25
Shower Curtains	4.95	Beautyrest Mattresses	42.50
Congoleum Rugs, 6.0 x 9.0	5.50	Bedroom Suites, 4 pieces	69.00
Smokers' Cabinets	5.90	Chesterfield Suites, 3-piece	69.00
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AUSTRALIA'S EXAMPLE

Premier Hepburn, of Ontario, is to make a trip to Australia to discover how that country emerged from its financial crisis. His hope is that what he learns will be of advantage to his Administration. It is, however, a matter of common record as to how Australia's financial position was relieved. Its position, before its crisis, is summed up in the Commonwealth's Year Book. For seven years, prior to June, 1939, the Australian Governments borrowed on an average £30,000,000 per annum. In the ten years before 1930 the States accumulated combined deficits of £16,500,000, and the Commonwealth Government £7,500,000. In 1930-1931 a combined deficit of £31,000,000 had to be faced. Meantime imports, which were £27 per head of the population in 1926-1927, fell to £23 in 1928-1929. Exports of commodities, which for some years had failed to pay for imports, amounted to £22 per head in 1928-1929.

Sir Otto Niemeyer, British financier, was called in to give advice on the situation. That advice was given after an investigation, and was incorporated in what became known as the "Premiers Plan." It decided upon the following reforms:

A reduction of 20 per cent in all adjustable government expenditure, as compared with the year ending June 20, 1930, including all emoluments, wages, salaries and pensions paid by the governments, whether fixed by statute or otherwise.

Conversion of the internal debts of the governments on the basis of 22.5 per cent reduction in interest.

The securing of additional revenue by taxation, both Commonwealth and State.

A reduction of bank and savings bank rates of interest on deposits and advances.

Relief for private mortgages.

In pursuance of this advice the internal debt of £556,000,000 was converted into a 4 per cent loan, "after voluntary acceptance of the plan by nearly all the security holders." By this means a saving of £6,500,000 was made in interest payments. Many economies were put into effect, but Mr. Hepburn will find when he visits Australia that the States are again borrowing heavily, in opposition to the "Premiers Plan," and that between 1933 and 1937 combined debts of all the governments increased at the rate of £17,000,000 a year. That means that economy in government is difficult in the face of public clamor for expenditures. For the settlement of any financial problem in which administration is involved the public conscience must be aroused, for politicians themselves, dependent on votes, rarely take the statesmanlike course in financial policies unless persuaded to do so by the voice of public opinion.

NO CIVIC AUDITORIUM

It is quite obvious that the Dominion Government cannot depart from the letter and spirit of the Municipal Improvements Assistance Act by granting a loan to this municipality for the construction of a civic auditorium and sports arena. The City Council, in taking a plebiscite on the desire of the citizens in this respect, failed to inform itself as to whether the Dominion Government could make such a loan. Its only excuse is that it was encouraged from Provincial sources, which, however, do not interpret Federal legislation. This municipality, before submitting such a plebiscite, should have consulted Ottawa, and known for certain in advance that the loan would be granted in the event of the sanction of the property owners being secured. It did nothing of the kind. Instead, by virtue of the taking of the plebiscite, it gave the impression that the whole matter was cut and dried and only awaiting public sanction. It is a grave pity that it should have disappointed those citizens who voted so substantially in favor of a civic auditorium and sports arena.

Under the Municipal Improvements Assistance Act, loans may be granted for municipal projects of "urgent necessity," to enable a municipality to carry out one of its "normal governmental functions." A civic auditorium and sports arena could not come under this definition, and the City Council could well, by investigation, have found this out before submitting a plebiscite. It remains for private enterprise to find the funds for the project which is so favored by the citizens. That ought not to be a difficult matter in a city which contains so much wealth as Victoria does. Those who voted for the civic auditorium did so in the belief that it would be self-liquidating, which inspires the hope that they would not be unwilling to risk their own money in such a venture.

COST OF ALASKA HIGHWAY

The writer of a Canadian Press dispatch from Ottawa dealing with the appointment of a Commission to consider the construction of a highway through British Columbia and the Yukon, from the American frontier to Alaska, seemingly knows little of road construction costs in this Province. He says the estimate is that it would involve an expense of $20,000,000. The probability is that, divorced from politics, it would cost $40,000,000, and, if built as a political road, it would cost more. Those who know the country through which such a road would run are persuaded that, because of its character in parts, road construction would be very costly; and, moreover, maintenance would be costly as well. The road, over a considerable extent, could be kept open for five months of the year. While closed to traffic, no maintenance work would be done, and deterioration would be taking place.

From the standpoint of the United States, there is no denying the strategic value of such a highway. From the standpoint of the tourist traffic, such a road as is suggested has many possibilities. Wherever the money is borrowed, if at all, for construction, it is British Columbia that will eventually have to foot most of the bill, unless the Federal authority makes a grant for that portion of the road which would run through this Province. There is a hope of this, inasmuch as a Commission has been appointed by Ottawa to consider the feasibility of the project. There should, however, be no illusions about the ultimate cost. The estimate of $20,000,000 errs lamentably; if it were doubled it might still prove too conservative. It is an engineering estimate, not a political one, that should be obtained in the interests of those who ultimately must pay.

PRE-ELECTION PROMISES

Mr. Aberhart denies that he ever promised the people of Alberta a basic dividend of $25 a month. It will take more than the usual amount of political casuistry to explain this denial or to wash off the record other statements of which he was the author. He was the author of the "Blue Manual" of his Social Credit policies issued early in 1935, from which the two following paragraphs are quoted:

"To enable each citizen to secure these bare necessities, each of them will receive a pass-book in which at the beginning of each month will be entered the basic dividend for that month, say $25. This is supposed to provide for the bare necessities of food, clothing and shelter for every bona fide citizen, whether he works or does not work, and he shall not be required to pay it back, or work it out.

"Basic dividends should be twenty-five dollars a month for every bona fide citizen, male or female, twenty-one years or more. Children of bona fide citizens sixteen years old will receive five dollars a month. Those seventeen and eighteen years old will receive ten dollars a month. These dividends are not to be given on a basis of so much work done, but as a bare support of citizenship, loyalty to the state and the best interests of the country."

Mr. Aberhart has been discussing, as a practical possibility, the construction of a pipe-line to the Pacific as an outlet for the surplus oil of the Turner Valley field. He says his Government is willing that the British Admiralty should have the first call on the oil, that private capital should build the line, but says the Provinces through whose territories it would be built, and not the Federal Government, "must control it and get a share of the profits." Inasmuch as the pipeline is wholly unlikely to be built as it would be a work of supererogation, speculation about it, especially officially, seems unnecessary.

Lord Nuffield recently wrote to The Times, of London, on the imperative necessity of supporting Mr. Neville Chamberlain in his appeasement policy. He received a large volume of correspondence in reply to his plea and, "not less than 95 per cent of this, much of which came from disabled soldiers and ex-Service men, expressed wholehearted admiration for Mr. Chamberlain's actions, and entire agreement with his foreign policy."

If only those were there who should be there no overcrowding would occur in the University of British Columbia. Where such institutions are subsidized by a government there should be the closest inspection to prevent the enrolment of misfits, including those who only enter for sporting and social activities.

A man who does not live while he is getting his living is a poorer man after his wealth is won than he was before.—J. G. Holland.

The Weather

Meteorological Office, Victoria B.C., at 7:00 p.m., December 23, 1938.

SYNOPSIS OF WEATHER CONDITIONS

Pressure remains abnormally high from Vancouver Island southward, with a depression centred in the Peace River area. Rain has occurred on the British Columbia Coast, with strong winds, and the weather has been milder throughout the Interior of this Province.

It is becoming unsettled, with rising temperatures, in the Prairie Provinces.

PRECIPITATION AND TEMPERATURES

(Precipitation for twelve hours to 5:00 p.m.; temperatures for twenty-four hours.)

	Precipitation	Min.	Max.
Victoria	.02	44	52
Nanaimo	--	42	48
Vancouver	.46	40	46
Kamloops	--	30	34
Prince George	--	32	42
Estevan Point	.52	46	50
Prince Rupert	.02	40	48
Langara	.04	40	44
Atlin	.10	6	12
Dawson	--	6*	4*
Seattle	--	48	52
Portland	Trace	46	50
San Francisco	--	52	64
Spokane	--	32	40
Los Angeles	--	48	66
Penticton	--	26	--
Kelowna	--	29	37
Grand Forks	.27	22	28
Nelson	.30	2	25
Kaslo	--	21	--
Cranbrook	--	14	37
Calgary	--	18	36
Edmonton	.02	22	28
Swift Current	Trace	10	30
Moose Jaw	--	12	26
Prince Albert	.04	14	20
Saskatoon	--	8	18
Qu'Appelle	--	8	20
Winnipeg	.01	2	18
Thursday—			
Toronto	--	16	34
Ottawa	--	2	16
Saint John	--	14	24
Halifax	--	22	22

* Below zero.

FRIDAY

Minimum	44
Maximum	52
Average	48
Minimum on the grass	44

Sunshine, December 23, 42 min.

5:00 P.M. WEATHER REPORTS

Victoria—Barometer, 30.30; wind, W., 24 miles; fair.

Vancouver—Barometer, 30.26; wind, E., 4 miles; cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.12; calm; cloudy.

Prince George—Barometer, 29.78; wind, S., 10 miles; cloudy.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 30.00; wind, SE., 12 miles; raining.

Langara—Barometer, 29.94; wind, W., 36 miles; cloudy.

Estevan Point—Barometer, 30.36; wind, SW., 6 miles; raining.

Tatoosh—Barometer, 30.34; wind, SW., 12 miles; raining.

Portland—Barometer, 30.50; wind, SE., 8 miles; cloudy.

Seattle—Barometer, 30.34; wind, S., 12 miles; cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.22; wind, W., 4 miles; clear.

Note and Comment

By Sandham Graves

Come to think of it, Canada has a deal to put in her Christmas stocking. Oh, you might not think so to hear people talk; but you know how people talk! Those folks, for instance, talking about Russia, or Germany, or Italy, or Japan, or Sweden, or Korea, or Pitcairn's Island—try to coax them to leave Canada and go there to live. Will they do it? Not on your life. They are going to stay right here and write letters to the papers; pages of them, extolling the benefits of living somewhere else. But we have a few benefits of our own, too.

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Take peace! Bless you, the last returned soldiers, sailors and airmen who got back to Canada returned so long ago that they are grandpas and great-uncles by now. Of course there is the odd spat or two in the family when politicians slip on a speech and skin their consciences; but it is purely in the family, and you know what families are. After all, what is a word or two between friends. Nothing!

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Take the law! Why, Canada is famous for it. If a man shoots his partner up on the Parsnip River in February, it is ten to one that he will be captured on the Bow River by March, tried before twelve good men and true in April, and, if guilty, sentenced to be hanged in July. I don't quite agree with the hanging, but I do with the dispatch. No such thing as letting a man out to become an $80,000,000 public nuisance, selling rifles to Spain, or opium to the Chinese, or whisky to Americans. No, sir; all clean, and neat, and tidy. "Find John Doe," says the desk sergeant; and there, by cracky, is John Doe!

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Take plenty! You can't say you haven't got it! The thing is viable. More wheat than you can store. More potatoes than the market board says is possible. More tomatoes than you can fit into cans. More professors than there are colleges for. More experts than you can shake a stick at. All you want is a little salesmanship. The experts are moving fast, anyway; there will soon be a shortage of them, what with boards and commissions (or is it commissions and board?).

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Take Parliaments! You have ten of them; one in each province, and one for the kitty. Ten Speeches from the Throne. Ten addresses in reply. Ten debates on the addresses in reply. Ten budgets. Ten budget debates. Sound money in the East. More money in the West. No money in the middle. There's opportunity, for you. If you cannot become a legislator with ten Parliaments to choose from, what good are you? Once a legislator, maybe a Premier. Once a Premier, perhaps a Prime Minister. Once a Prime Minister—but, no; this, after all, is Christmas.

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Take utilities! Take them before Governments take 'em. Telephones; one to a house, and three in some houses. Radios; one in the living-room, another in the kitchen, and a baby one in the car. Motor cars; why, in spite of what we took from them, even the Indians have them. Up in Prince Rupert they run back and forth along the same mile of road. In Sayward they take turns in driving down to look at the beach. In Atlin they run out a piece to see if the Alaska Highway has got there yet.

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Take schools! You have day schools, night schools, pre-school schools, plain public schools, fancy private schools, schools for the young, schools for the old, city schools, district schools, rural schools, correspondence schools, colleges, universities, extension universities, farm schools, folk schools, art schools, business schools, music schools, and please take the rest for granted.

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Take acres! You have them washed by the Pacific, the Atlantic or the Arctic; by the Fraser, the Saskatchewan, the Mackenzie, the Red, or St. Lawrence; by salt lakes or fresh lakes. Or you do not need to have them washed at all; you can take them inland, in the Coast, Selkirk, Rocky, northern, or Laurentian ranges. All good pay dirt, too. If you like them flat, you can pick acres within fifty miles of the international border, or 100 miles, or 150 miles, or even 200 miles; and still grow vegetables, and support a cow in the luxury to which she has been accustomed.

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Take climate! You can have it from 72 below on Coronation Gulf to 70 above in Victoria, with one degree stops in between. You can have it clear and calm; cloudy with fog, rain at Tatoosh; or just plain sunny, as in Saanich. You can have it with hot springs, cold springs, or without springs at all. If you want snow, don't come to Victoria; not without inquiring first, anyway. We had a snowfall here in 1915 when the war was on, and old-timers speak of it yet; but you can't slide on last year's snow, let alone on snow twenty-three years old.

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In fact, take Canada. You are down right hard to please if you cannot find what you want among three oceans, nine provinces, ten Parliaments and six accredited wave lengths. I'm tired of hearing of Russia, Germany, Italy, Japan, Sweden, and Pitcairn's Island. I want to hear "Scrooge" on the radio, and right now I'm going to do it!

'Lucia di Lammermoor'

(By J.A.M.)

For this week's matinee broadcast the Metropolitan Opera Company will present Gaetano Donizetti's three-act opera, "Lucia di Lammermoor." The libretto is based on Sir Walter Scott's famous novel, "The Bride of Lammermoor." Ever since the first performance at the San Carlo Theatre, Naples, on September 26, 1835, this opera has been a great favorite among coloratura sopranos. The role of "Lucia" offers great vocal passages in the decorative "Mad Scene," the dramatic "Sextette," and has been sung by such renowned prima donnas as Melba, Patti, Tetrazzini, Galli-Curci, and our present-day Lily Pons.

THE CAST

Lucia	Lily Pons
Edgardo	Galliano Masini
Enrico	Carlo Tagliabua
Raimundo	Ezio Pinza
Arturo	Nicholas Massue
Alisa	Thelma Votipka
Conductor, Gennaro Papi.	

ACT I

The action takes place in Scotland near the close of the sixteenth century, and the first scene is a grove near Lammermoor Castle. Enrico learns from his hunting companions that his sister, Lucia, is in love with Edgardo, master of Ravenswood, even though their families are in enmity. Enrico declares that only Lucia's marriage with Arturo can save the fortunes of the Ashton house.

Scene II—Lucia enters with Alisa, her confidante, and sings her celebrated "Legend of the Fountain." Egardo enters and tells Lucia he has been ordered to France, after which they both join in a duet of parting, expressing their love and swearing faithfulness to each other.

ACT II

Scene I—In a chamber in the castle, Enrico intercepts all of Lucia and Edgardo's letters, and declares to Lucia that he will be disgraced and ruined unless she consents to marry Arturo, as he has arranged. The unfortunate Lucia, stricken with grief, finally consents to this sacrifice.

Scene II—In the great hall of the castle preparations have started for the wedding. Lucia enters and is escorted to the table to sign the marriage papers. She signs the document and looks up to see Edgardo, who has just returned from France. With sword in hand, he stalks boldly toward the table. At this dramatic moment he is joined by Enrico, Arturo, Raimundo, Lucia and Alisa in the famous "Sextette."

Edgardo and Enrico rush at one another with drawn swords, and are separated by Raimundo. Edgardo, on confirmation of the marriage statement, in a furious rage calls down the curse of heaven on Lucia and all her hatred family.

ACT III

Scene I—Enrico comes to the gloomy castle of Edgardo and challenges him to a duel, the time being set for the dawn of the next morning. Amid the terrors of a terrific storm, they unite in a duet, praying that the morn may soon arrive.

Scene II—In the great hall of Enrico's ancestral castle, the wedding guests still make merry. Raimundo enters and announces that Lucia has gone mad and slain her husband.

Lucia now appears in her wedding apparel, and with a dagger in hand, flings into the ever-popular "Ardon gl'incensi," or perhaps better known as the "Mad Scene."

Scene III—Edgardo awaits his opponent, Enrico, at the tombs of the Ravenswoods. Knights and nobles leave Enrico's castle chanting a funeral dirge. Edgardo interrupts with the dramatic aria, "Giusto cielo" ("Why Lament Ye"). The mourners tell Edgardo of Lucia's death and the two rivals unite in the duet, "Tu che e Dio" ("Thou Hast Spread Thy Wings"). Edgardo, declaring he has nothing to live for, draws his dagger and stabs himself. He falls to the ground dead. Death has at last united the lovers.

HOUSING IN CALGARY

CALGARY, Dec. 22 (CP)—Appointment of a committee to investigate housing conditions in Calgary with particular respect to relations between relief recipients and their landlords will be recommended to Calgary City Council next Tuesday by Alderman Frank Freeze.

FIFTY YEARS AGO TODAY

(From The Daily Colonist of December 24, 1888)

Car Building in Victoria—Twenty flat cars are now under construction for the Island railway at the shops at Russell's Station. They will aggregate $12,000. The coaches were all repainted a short time ago at a cost of $3,000. As soon as the reserve question is definitely settled, it is understood that extensive workshops and bunkers will be erected on the Reserve, besides large coal bunkers for supplying the city and steamer trade.

A New Townsite—On the strength of the proposed railway which has lately been surveyed from Ladner's Landing, as a centre, to Westminster, Vancouver and other points on the Coast, and which is ultimately expected to reach Victoria, the people of Ladner's have decided to portion their land into town lots and hold a public auction sale in the near future.

Marine News—The ship Commodore made the trip from San Francisco to Cape Flattery in three and a half days, the fastest on record . . . The Victoria rice mills have the bark Janet Ferguson chartered for a cargo of paddy. The vessel will leave Bangkok in the early part of January . . . Steamer Olympian will resume her trips on the Victoria-Seattle route today. On and after January 1, the North Pacific will also be placed on the route, making alternate trips with the Olympian.

The Observation Car

By THE EDITORIAL STAFF

Laudable Task

Credit is due the Junior Chamber of Commerce for the marked interest that the organization has aroused this Christmastide in the window decorations throughout the residential districts in keeping with the festive season. William Mearns, the chairman of the special committee of the Junior Chamber is to be given a large share of praise for the enthusiasm that has been instilled to bring about the results. Not only has the move made by the young men's organization aroused a considerable number to enter the competition, but there has been also a general awakening of a spirit of decorating windows which is in evidence along most of the streets of the city with a very pleasing effect.—O.H.N.

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Not Intentional We Hope

Two motorists staged a novel duel on Collinson Street recently. Apparently the drivers were engaging in a new game of "bumps" as they smashed into each other systematically for approximately ten minutes. First, one machine rammed the other, then the second driver backed up a few feet and barged into car number one. A small crowd soon gathered and seemed to take great delight in the "fender denting" game of the antagonists.—W.I.F.

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Rugby Gossip

Certain members of Victoria "Rep" Rugby fifteen are so keen to win the McKechnie Cup game with Vancouver on Boxing Day that they are going to make quite a sacrifice—they are going to wait until the next day for their turkey dinner. Fine spirit indeed these young athletes are showing . . . Manager Bert Buller informs us that he feels confident that the local fifteen will take the match, and while fully aware of the strength of the visiting Vancouver squad, says Victoria's margin will be three tries. Well, we think you have something there, Mr. Buller . . . With the teams battling for undisputed occupation of top berth in the "Big Three" race and two powerful fifteens scheduled to go into action, the game promises to be one of the best in years.—S.T.

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Glancing Over Sport

Christmas gifts wanted on the Victoria athletic front: Manager Bert Buller and Coach Wally Brynjolfson want a victory for Victoria "Reps" over Vancouver in the intercity McKechnie Cup Rugby match on Monday at Macdonald Park; Bill Milligan, boss of Victoria United, wants another two points in the Inter-City Football League race when his squad goes against New Westminster Royals at the Athletic Park; Dave Nicol, manager of the Dominoes, is looking forward to a gift on the Mainland. He sends his basketballers against Staceys in an exhibition game Tuesday night. Staceys is the only Vancouver team with a win over the Doms, and therefore a reversed decision this time on strange ground will be very much appreciated by the local boss; pilots of the Saturday and Wednesday League soccer teams are looking forward to victory in the Anscomb Cup series on Tuesday . . . Here's a few Yuletide predictions which should run true to form: Victoria to win the cup Rugby match by ten points; the United to take the measure of the Royals by three goals; Saturday League to whip the mid-weekers in the cup match by a trio of markers; Dominoes to return to the city with an easy victory over Staceys. Fifteen points or more will be the margin; Toronto Leafs to beat Detroit on the hockey battlefront tonight.—J.D.

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Absent-Minded

Anonymous letters sometimes achieve the writer's purpose, but that could hardly be said of anonymous Christmas cards—and quite a lot of people in Victoria received greetings in that form yesterday. After laboriously addressing and stamping a big bundle of Christmas cards, and pushing them in handfuls through the slot at the postoffice, there suddenly dawned on us, when it was too late, the unhappy thought that not one of the cards gave any indication of the identity of the sender. We can only hope that our abominable writing may furnish a clue.—R.M.

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Important Task

On the eve of Christmas, "Peace on Earth, Goodwill to Men" seems to apply only to the British Empire and the United States. For that peace we should offer our devout thanks. With Europe and Asia in turmoil, it would seem that the task of preserving democracy and freedom rests squarely upon the shoulders of those who inhabit the vast English-speaking portions of the globe . . . In these changing times, a Radical is defined as a man who hates Conservatives, Liberals and Radicals . . . The Sudeten Germans seem to be the only race that ever shouted they wanted to lose their freedom . . . If Franco ever wins in Spain, his next task will be to get rid of his friends . . . In swiftly changing Europe, we suppose some persons have to keep their ears glued to a radio set to find out what nationality they are. Among other things Japan is getting in China is a reputation . . . The earliest steps of war seem to be lies and mobolize . . . What the world needs is a good peace scare.—G.B.

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Letters to the Editor

No letter to the Editor will be inserted except over the proper signature and address of the writer. This rule admits of no exception. No letter should exceed 400 words in length.

HANDEL'S "MESSIAH"

Sir,—Would you kindly allow me space for a few remarks regarding a performance of Handel's "Messiah" given in Christ Church Cathedral last Wednesday evening. I have no criticism to make of the singers and instrumentalists, as they seemed to be doing their best, and no doubt were, but yet there appeared to be something at fault. Possibly the building itself was partly responsible for this, I think, however, the speed at which the work was given would be the main reason why (to some of the audience, at least) the performance was disappointing. You cannot get the effects of dignity, power and beauty, which we have learned to associate with this great oratorio, when the performance is speeded up almost to the point of jazz and the singers are barely given time to articulate the words. Almost everything nowadays seems to be affected by the modern craze for speed, but please let us have a little sanity still and the sense of what is fitting in the treatment of our sacred music.

JOHN CHRISTIE.

R.R. 3, Victoria, B.C., December 20, 1938.

THE MORNING STAR

Sir,—Mr. Stinson's letter in Tuesday's Colonist about the bright star to be seen in the early morning in the eastern sky was interesting to me for this reason: As a very small child, I remember being lifted from my cot by my father and carried to the window to see a star which was at that time supposed to be the Star of Bethlehem. My father said: "I want you to take particular notice of that bright star, which astronomers say will not be seen again by those on earth for a hundred years." That is now half a century ago, and although I was a small and sleepy child, I have never forgotten the brilliant star and my father's words.

All these years I have never heard anyone suggest that the star could be seen again. I wonder if there is any astronomical data about the star that was visible fifty years ago, and is it the same morning star that we now see?

H. HEYWOOD

P.O. 495, Victoria, B.C., December 21, 1938.

INCREASE PRODUCTION

DETROIT, Dec. 23 (AP).—Ward's automotive reports predicted today the automobile industry would assemble 1,000,000 cars and trucks during the first quarter of 1939, marking a gain of nearly 50 per cent over the comparable 1938 period.

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According to Culbertson

"Dear Mr. Culbertson: The hand below was dealt and played in a recent rubber game which I was watching. I have given the hand, the bidding and the play, and I would like to know if the bidding was correct and, if so, whether you would have played the hand in the same way:

"North, dealer.

"Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ A 10 8 3
♥ 8
♦ A 10
♣ A K 10 9 8 4

WEST
♠ K 7 5 4
♥ Q 9 7 6 5
♦ 7 6 2
♣ J

EAST
♠ 6
♥ 10 4 3
♦ Q 5 4 3
♣ Q 7 5 3 2

SOUTH
♠ Q J 9 2
♥ A K J 2
♦ K J 9 8
♣ 6

"The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1 ♠	Pass	2 NT	Pass
4 NT	Pass	6 NT	Pass
7 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

"West opened the heart six, declarer winning with the jack. The spade queen was led, covered by West, and taken with dummy's ace. The diamond ace was cashed and the ten of diamonds was finessed, South overtaking with the jack. The ace and king of hearts and three rounds of spades were cashed. When South played the last spade, the position was:

NORTH
♠ 3
♥ —
♦ —
♣ A K 10 9

WEST
♠ 7
♥ Q 9
♦ 7
♣ J

EAST
♠ —
♥ —
♦ Q 5
♣ Q 7 5

SOUTH
♠ J
♥ 2
♦ K 9
♣ 6

"The spade jack squeezed East. A club discard would establish dummy's entire suit, while a diamond discard would set up South's nine spot. Thus the grand slam contract was made. I would like your opinion on the whole thing.

"W. F. A."

I'm glad my opinion was asked because it will be a pleasure to give it.

North-South must be two of the luckiest pylayers outside of captivity, which it is evident they should be in. Their bidding was a great deal more suited to a high jump contest than to a bridge game. The final contract was a gem of the purest optimism, and the luck of fulfilling it, via two finesses and a squeeze, not to mention a heaven-sent opening lead into South's heart tenace, was the sort of thing that turns sensible folk into voodooists.

Specifically, South should not have have bid two no trump when holding a singleton of partner's suit bid. (One spade was the correct first response; if necessary, South should later show his other two suits.) North should not have been so enthusiastic about no trump as a final contract. His 6-4-2-1 distribution strongly called for a trump contract. West should not have led away from a guarded honor. The club jack was the markedly correct opening lead on the theory that it could not cost anything.

The final contract should have been six spades.

Winter Weights

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FORT AT GOVERNMENT

Last Chance Today To Complete Buying For Holiday Season

City Stores Will Close Tonight for Three-Day Christmas Break—Merchants Generally Report Heavy Purchasing During Past Week

CHRISTMAS shoppers will have their last opportunity today and tonight to complete purchases for the festive season, and it is a foregone conclusion that when stores are closed tonight, tired clerks will breathe a sigh of relief, in anticipation of three full days' rest from the exacting duty of waiting upon purchasers with long shopping lists or with only a vague notion of the gifts they want to buy.

Their rest will be well-earned, for the past week has been a very busy one for all city stores. In most cases, however, shopping hours have not been so long for the clerks as in previous years, for there have been fewer late nights. Some stores, indeed, did not extend their shopping hours at all, with the exception of the cancellation of the weekly half-holiday.

Trade suffered a little from yesterday's inclement weather, which kept many people at home, most of them busily wrapping gifts to be opened tomorrow morning. Nevertheless, hurrying shoppers invaded the stores in large numbers, and business continued to be brisk throughout the afternoon.

BEST FOR YEARS

"This is the best Christmas we have had for many years," one city tobacconist remarked last night. Business had fallen off a little yesterday, he said, but already the turn-over for the week, and also for the month, was well ahead of the corresponding periods last year. "So we have nothing to worry about," he added.

Heavy purchasing is expected today, for no matter how often the "Shop Early and Avoid the Rush" slogan is repeated, Christmas Eve is usually one of the busiest, if not the busiest, shopping days of the year.

It is the day, too, when housewives complete their purchases of good things for the Christmas table and supplies for the long holiday, and the menfolk lay in a stock of beverages with which to celebrate the season of good cheer. To cope with the seasonal rush, and for the convenience of those unable to make their purchases during the ordinary hours, the liquor stores in the city and Esquimalt remained open until 8 o'clock last night, and will be open until 10 o'clock tonight.

Gordon Head Farm Ships Seven Tons Of Berried Holly

SEVEN tons of berried holly were shipped this year to various parts of Canada and the United States from the thirty-acre farm of Fred B. Pemberton at Finnerty Bay, Gordon Head. This year's shipment was an increase of several hundred pounds over that of last year. Mr. Pemberton's holly farm is the largest of its kind in Canada. Annual shipments of the berried product at times were as much as ten tons. A slight decrease has been experienced since the cultivation of holly on a large scale in several parts of the United States. Holly from Mr. Pemberton's unique farm is usually packed in ten, twelve and twenty-pound cartons. Eighteen men are employed to cut and pack the product. Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Hadwen, Quamichan Lake, disposed of 1,500 pounds of holly from their farm this year.

Accident Victim Is Identified as William Lawrence

The cyclist who died on Thursday night as a result of being struck by an automobile at Douglas Street and Tolmie Avenue was identified yesterday by Chief Josiah Bull, Saanich, as William Lawrence, aged seventy-one, Cabin 8, 742 Johnson Street. He is believed to have no relatives in the province.

Chief Bull stated an inquest would be held at Hayward's B.C. Funeral Parlors on December 29, at a time to be announced later.

CANADA'S FIRE LOSS

TORONTO, Dec. 23 (CP).—Fire losses in Canada during the week ended December 17 totaled $286,650, compared to $183,700 in the previous week, The Monetary Times reported today. It said fires in Alberta and Ontario caused 50 per cent of the loss during the week. Since January 1, losses total $15,668,500, against $12,932,100 during the same period of 1937.

BIG GATHERING TO SHARE TREAT

Over 750 Tickets Issued for Children's Christmas Dinner at Armoury, Dec. 28

Over 750 tickets have been issued to kiddies of Greater Victoria for the children's Christmas dinner at the Armoury on December 28, organized by Joe North and Alderman W. H. Davies. It is estimated that with the entertainers, officials and honored guests, more than 800 persons will sit down to dinner at 5:30 p.m.

An excellent menu has been arranged for the dinner, consisting of roast turkey with dressing and cranberry sauce, little pig sausage, baked Southern ham, mashed potatoes, peas, Christmas pudding with vanilla sauce, mixed fruits, buttered rolls, coffee, milk, and Christmas crackers.

Following the dinner, a Christmas tree entertainment will be held, for which several well-known local artists have volunteered their services. A huge Santa Claus is also being constructed, and each child will receive a bag of candies, a toy, and a small cash present.

The general public will be admitted to the balconies to witness the evening's entertainment.

The sponsors of the function need about another $400 to accomplish their objective, and donations can be left with Joe North, 1109 Johnson Street, or at the Empire Realty Company, 1008 Broad Street.

CONTRACT LET FOR AIR FORCE STATION

OTTAWA, Dec. 23 (CP).—The Department of National Defence today announced awarding of a contract to the Northern Construction Company and J. W. Stewart, Ltd., and E. J. Ryan Contracting Company, Ltd., Vancouver, for the construction of two buildings, alterations and additions to two existing buildings, and the construction of a concrete apron and slipway at the Royal Canadian Air Force station, Alliford Bay, B.C., $119,000.

NICE PUSSY

GOLDEN, B.C., Dec. 23 (CP).—This is the story of a cat which brought her master a Christmas present. W. Wenman's cat went outside for a few minutes and came back with a piece of paper in its mouth. The paper was a dollar bill.

ROBS SANTA CLAUS

EDMONTON, Dec. 23 (CP).—Santa Claus was robbed here last night—in a church. While Santa (N. N. Despins) was distributing presents at the church Christmas party, thieves stole $70 in cash and $20 in cheques from his "street pants" in the dressing-room.

HOLDUP IN PARIS

PARIS, Dec. 23 (CP-Havas).—Bandits seized 1,500,000 francs ($40,000) from two bank messengers in a holdup in the suburb of Aubervilliers today.

CHILDREN SEND GIFTS TO POOR

Junior Red Cross Dispatches Big Shipment of Clothing To Distressed Families

The Red Cross office at 519 Belmont House has been the receiving centre for the toys and gifts, collected and sent in by the Junior Red Cross members all over British Columbia. Even little correspondence school members have helped with small gifts of books and toys.

Following is a list of what the juniors have done: Five large cartons of toys, books, games, and other things sent to the Boy Scouts, with a dozen or more dolls, for repairs; four cartons of toys sent to the Orphanage; three cartons of toys sent to the Solarium; a gift sent to each of the eleven children in the children's ward at the Royal Jubilee Hospital; gifts sent to six children and two babies at St. Joseph's Hospital; and a gift sent to each of nine children, from the ages of thirteen months to eleven years, in two poor families.

Gifts of chocolates were sent to each of the above, these being obtained from the Red Arrow and Ormond coupons saved by Junior Red Cross members.

Junior branches contributing were: Sooke, Bevan, Nanaimo, Duveen, Bamberton, Shawnigan Lake, Cumberland, Esquimalt, Victoria, Saanich, Oak Bay, Erickson, Lytton, Creston, Rossland, Sunrise Valley (Peace River), Kelowna, Bralorne, Boswell, Merritt, Houston, Armstrong, Red Pass, Lynnlac, Prince George, Newton, Thrums, Denman Island, Burnaby, Vancouver, New Westminster, Breadner, Lynn Lake and Massett.

LADYSMITH BOARD CONCLUDES YEAR

New Chairman Appointed and Standing Committees for New Term Announced

LADYSMITH, Dec. 23.—Business of the year for the Ladysmith School Board was wound up at the last regular meeting, when the three trustees-elect attended in an observing capacity.

Following adjournment of the 1938 session, the chair was vacated, and the secretary announced that Frederick Vandecasteyen, retiring chairman; Frederick Johnson and Albert E. Jones had been duly sworn as trustees for the two-year period commencing January 1, and instructed them to take their seats as trustees.

F. Vandecasteyen was unanimously nominated chairman of the board for the new year, and R. S. Wood was confirmed as secretary for the same period.

The chairman announced committees as follows: Finance, A. E. Jones and W. Cooil; purchasing, R. Battle and A. E. Jones; building and grounds, W. Cooil, F. Johnson and R. Battle; health, F. Johnson, with the other members of the board.

The SNAPSHOT GUILD

PICTURES AT CHRISTMAS

Not a call to arms, but a call for the camera. Every Christmas brings picture chances such as this—plan your pictures now!

CAMERA hobbyists can give a new twist to the admonition, "Do your Christmas shopping early!" Their watchward should be, "Plan your Christmas pictures early!"

Of course, you probably won't receive that fine new camera until Christmas morning. (You're supposed to look surprised when you unwrap it.) But, for Christmas pictures before that time, the old camera will doubtless give good service. And what a lot of such pre-Christmas pictures there are to take, if the holiday story is to be fully told.

For example, there ought to be a good shot of you getting the Christmas tree. Maybe you buy the tree from a vendor. Or maybe you go out into the country and cut your own. Either way, it's a picture.

Then there's the decorating of the tree to be pictured. And a shot of the children admiring it. And pictures of gifts being wrapped for friends. And members of the family placing packages. And pictures of the children peering out of the window, looking for Santa Claus. And, of course, the youngsters hanging up their stockings, and reluctantly going up to bed—a good stairway shot, with the children in their nighties.

These are pictures that introduce the Christmas story properly. Placed in the album in proper sequence, they have tremendous story value. They give you much more to remember—and half the fun of Christmas is in getting ready for it.

Christmas morning, of course, you can picture the opening of the gifts, the children enjoying new toys, and other members of the family trying on new gift scarves or jackets—all worth while. Then there are pictures at Christmas dinner, and in the afternoon, outdoor shots showing the new sled or bicycle on its first trial run.

Since many shots will be indoors, you'll need high speed film, a couple of amateur "flood" bulbs, and an inexpensive set of cardboard "lampshade-type" reflectors to use with them. Better have a few flash bulbs, too, for the occasional shot that requires them. And by all means make a list of "must" pictures—snapshots you are just bound to get. Telling the Christmas story is easier if you have such an outline to work from.—John van Guilder.

FROM THE ATTIC WINDOW

By SPY

A meal, a bus ride and a tug at the old cheroot were curtly ordered, yesterday.

And today cancelled.

Because, after nice consideration, the slightly queasy wake of average Berlin cooking, mixed with bus fumes and blue spirals from truly the world's most inexplicable cigars, would have most of you quite black in the face, with your eyes grey-lidded and droopier than a plucked pullet's on the hook.

For, in all fair countenance, German cuisine is decisively oppressive.

Veal and wurst are the predominating meats; peas and beans stabilize most soup toureens; red cabbage, kraut, gurkhens and canned spinach are reasonably popular vegetables, while, naturally, that archbishop of all edibles (the quiet potato) guarantees those proud mounds that "en-tumor" the smocks of most Germans.

Food's fluffier side, in form of fish, frogs, fowl, fresh fruit or fritters, is seldom jotted on the more moderate menus, while the sniff of peacocks' tongues or a soufflet is as rare as a Borzoi in the City Pound.

German bread is about as malleable (toothily) as copra; yellow coracles of grease cruise idly across most soups, gravies, goulashes or casseroles, while pigs' nuckles, kartoffel puffer (potato pancakes), bier-wurst mit kraut (stumpy sausages, with kraut) and hashed pork with noodles are all slammed, more in bulk than beauty, on the popular stout deal tables—with pretzels free (sometimes) and beer at fifteen "pfennigs" per noble stein.

The "automats" (ten pfennigs in the slot for a blood-sausage sandwich—twenty pfennigs for bockwurst mit kartoffel saladt), save bums like you and I from the horrors and indignities of having to look for work—a chain outfit (by name Aschinger) operate sufficient cafes and "konditorels" for the large forty-mark-per-week element—while Kempinski, in the Kurfurstendam, quietens all save the foresworn gourmet.

Kempinski, by the way, is actually Aschinger.

Kempinski once owned some of the largest hotels, restaurants and "wein stubes" in Berlin. But Kempinski was a Jew—so today you'll find his place near the elbow in the little street that kinks its way 'twixt Regent Street and Piccadilly.

Germany was not afraid to kick Kempinski out of Germany on Statutory grounds—but they WERE afraid to rip his name off the Kurfurstendam for financial reasons.

Ach, liebe gotte, nein! It certainly would never do to lower that big electric sign from the famous corner. Tonner undt blitz, nein! Kempinski had fat customers from all corners of the world. He was a Jew, yes—but his name is very valuable; we must keep it always . . . Ja, ja, ja!

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Whisk away the dishes—just a minute—pick those tea leaves out of the sink first, you big, powerful chiseling wives—then come look at some buses, as suggested earlier. Unfortunately, only worth-while comments on them are: (1) Strange fare system, viz., fifteen "pfennigs" carry you only between short, specified stops, whereas twenty-five "pfis" will cover an entire route of four to six miles. (2) Berlin buses (double deckers) have a thick iron lateral with knobs either end, bolted to bottom of radiator—presumably some sort of protective innovation.

Said safety device (if it is one) is certainly no protection to pedestrians—for bus swinging into curb sweeps are three to four feet in diameter, and heaven help all footpads within scything range of that brutal iron bar.

Save for above, buses merely prompt drab memo that Berlin offers five separate flavors in public transport. (1) Auto bus; (2) strasse bahn (street cars); (3) stadt bahn (interurban); (4) u-bahn (underground); (5) ring bahn (never quite discovered what that was)—and, if you wish to include taxis and "horse-taxis" as a Munchener (English drained) once craftily labeled a horse-motored phaeton in the Tier Garten—well, there's seven ways of running round Berlin, at cost, just over bicycling.

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Mention of transportation behoves short chronicilings on roads. Throughout Germany all major ways are excellent.

In Bavaria, also excellent, but not quite so broad and inviting as roads, for example, from Frankfurt or Leipzig, entering Berlin—for instance, road from Berlin to Hamburg is practically a 240-kilometre broad sword of dark "McAdam," easily traversed, under three hours.

And lastly, "Hell der Reichautobahn! O Lord, they're proud of it. You'd think they'd never seen a—well, perhaps you'd first like to know just what is it. It's the great concrete band, which, on completion, will join all large cities on the north and south lateral dividing Germany. "Ja-schneller mit der Autobahn." "Yes, quicker with the Autobahn," they'll always mumble in proud reply to "What's the quickest way to so-and-so?"

Undoubtedly the Reichautobahn is a lordly path, but for years there have been many (bigger and better, of course) in the United States—not to mention the Italian "Auto Strada," or for that matter, some of the French main roads, which, though not of the ultra-modern fool-proof (no villages, or crossings, or side roads to negotiate) design of the Auto Bahn or Auto Strada—nevertheless, the main French roads are pretty hard to criticize. However, for speed and safety the Reichautobahn is supreme. On it you could only actually pile up by ramming a "crawler" or by darting into the bordering fields or forests.

But, since the "Autobahn" cuts out all villages, it follows no service stations, except those built purposely (and at long intervals) on the very road. Hence, it pays to watch your gas-gauge. For on the "Autobahn" there's no speed limit, and at 100 m.p.h. (a mere clam's gait on that particular highway) your car consumes fuel with unholy disregard to time and distance.

So watch your tank when sluicing along the "Autobahn"—but, far better, avoid it's trameled and undecorative sameness.

Take the old roads, the hilly roads, the curly, hedgy, scented roads . . .

Let them lead you, slow and gently,
Through the sleepy little towns,
With the streets that burrow, bently,
Through a thousand ups and downs.

Let them thread you through the alleys,
Cross that mossy, cobbled bridge—
Meander through the valleys,
Gain the chateau on the ridge.

Awaken while you're peeping
Through its crust of rust and mould—
Romance and beauty's sleeping
In the Curly Roads of Old.

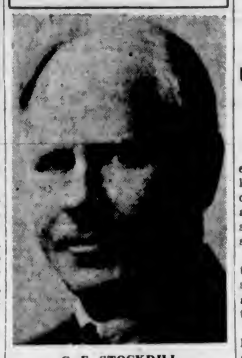
LONG WAY TO DINNER

RAND, Colo., Dec. 23 (AP).—Miss Dorothy Mason, who teaches at the Muddy Pass School, just forty-two miles from here, traveled 450 miles to spend Christmas with her parents in Rand. There are no direct roads and friends dissuaded Miss Mason from attempting the straight way trip on skis.

TOO MUCH IN NAME

TORONTO, Dec. 23 (CP).—You won't find the telephone number of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Christmas in the directory. They said today "it's fun" being Mr. and Mrs. Christmas, and it helps business—Joseph is a druggist—but because of people phoning to ask "silly things" they've had their number delisted.

Will Spend Holiday Season in City



C. E. STOCKDILL

ASSISTANT to the vice-president in charge of Western lines of the Canadian Pacific Railway, with headquarters in Winnipeg, who arrived in Victoria yesterday to spend the Christmas and New Year holidays at the Empress Hotel. He is accompanied by Mrs. Stockdill and their son, Dexter.

NEW COUNCIL TO MEET JANUARY 3

Mayor Andrew McGavin and Aldermen to Take Oaths of Office in Morning

Mayor Andrew McGavin and newly elected and re-elected aldermen will be sworn in before Judge H. H. Shandley in County Court on the morning of Tuesday, January 3. On the evening of the same day, the first meeting of the 1939 City Council will be held. Mayor McGavin will announce all standing committees during his inaugural address at the commencement of his third term of office.

The City Hall has been decorated with holly and cedar branches for the annual civic reception to be held from 10 to 11:30 o'clock on the morning of Monday, January 2.

Yesterday morning Mayor McGavin visited the various City Hall departments and the police station to distribute gifts of chocolates and cigars. He also visited the Aged and Infirm Women's Home and the public library.

KILLS MAN FOR STEALING TREE

Unemployed Trucker Dead And Wife Wounded by Ohio Farmer

ELYRIA, O., Dec. 23 (AP). — An eighty-four-year-old man with a long white "Santa Claus" beard, sat on an iron jail cot tonight and told authorities of the Christmas tree slaying of William Rousseau, thirty-seven-year-old unemployed trucker.

"The tree was his for the asking," the prisoner, farmer William Case said. "I have never refused to give a tree away. But when people steal them, it's different."

Rousseau was shot and killed and his wife critically wounded by Case as they tied to their rickety automobile a small spruce taken from Case's farm, Sheriff Carl E. Finegan said.

Suffering multiple wounds, Mrs. Rousseau, twenty-nine, was brought to a hospital here where, after a blood transfusion she was given a "chance to live." The donor was Sheriff Finegan.

Case talked freely to newsmen about the shooting.

LOSING MANY TREES

"I have lost about 200 Christmas trees this year to thieves," he said. "Some of them were two-tonners that had to be hauled away in trucks. I decided to do something about it.

"Last night," he continued, "I took my shotgun and went out to the field. I was there for a long time. About 2:30 a car drove up. Two people got out and went into the field. I saw them dragging a tree across the road. I shot without saying a word.

"After the first shot one ran in front of the headlights and I shot again. Then I started to the house.

"A minute later the horn began to blow so I shot at the headlights. Then I went over to Lee Martin's (a neighbor) and told him about it. Then I went home and went to bed."

Deputies found Case asleep, and after being questioned today, he stretched out on the iron jail cot and went to sleep.

Prosecutor Howard Butler said he has not decided if Case will be prosecuted.

"There's a possibility this might be called justifiable homicide," he said, indicating he would make a decision when the reports of investigating deputies have been filed.

Lots of people have open minds—so open that current events just blow right through them.

FUNERAL NOTICE

The funeral of the late Comrade James Stuart, 45th Battalion, will take place Tuesday, December 27, at 3 o'clock, from Hayward's B.C. Funeral Home.

Members of Britannia Branch, Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., are requested to attend.

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No Turning

by Kathrn Bemis

Author of "Love in Danger," "Adventure in Love," Etc.

CHAPTER XXX

At last, she got rid of him at the entrance to her upstairs suite. He had insisted upon coming up with her and Aimee.

He said to Aimee, "See that she has hot coffee immediately. And don't leave her an instant. She's had a shock."

Aimee's sharp little black eyes snapped. For once she forgot her French, and said, "Yes sir," in strong Irish accents. The man was acting as if he owned her mistress, and she knew how many times he had been put off by her, snubbed. The whole business of this night was peculiar.

Ignoring Aimee's presence, he said to Kay, "I'll be calling you, darling."

Kay looked up at him in dumb reproach. He bent to her, mistaking her silence for something far different. He swept her into his arms, kissed her full on the mouth before she sensed what he was about. He wheeled out of sight. She was his.

Furious, she wiped off his kiss with the back of her hand. She suddenly came alive, madly alive. She said to Aimee, "If that man ever comes here again—"

She hesitated, remembering the terrible secret that he and she would share eternally. But did this give him licence to possess her? Merciful heaven! Her heart sank. Already he had shown her.

"Never mind, Aimee—I'll have to see him the next time he calls. It's—a matter of business—and—and important."

"Yes, mademoiselle," came from the puzzled Aimee, "I'll see that Sartin brings up the coffee."

She left the room, determined to get Sartin's version of the night's unusual happenings.

Kay walked slowly across the white velvet carpet, flung open a window, stepped out on the balcony. The scent of roses directly beneath her was too heady to be borne. She shivered, hopelessly turned back into the room.

Aimee hurried back to her mistress, her curiosity unsatisfied. Sartin could tell her little. So Aimee could only help Kay out of the clinging folds of the green gown, get her into a soft heliotrope negligee.

Sartin brought coffee and served it with elaborate concern, but Kay was scarcely conscious of his presence. She drank the hot liquid because it might give her courage for what she had to do. Then she sent both servants away and locked the door.

She closed the window blinds and sank into a chair. She pulled Chuck's letter from her girdle, where she had hastily hidden it. Yes, it was Chuck's handwriting.

A wave of nausea swept over her. For an instant she was too ill to do what she had intended to do. She finally got hold of herself, drew the note from the envelope, holding it shakily before her blurred vision.

This note also was unmistakably in Chuck's handwriting. It was a peculiarly bold type of writing, the type that only a man of strong character, of vital personality, would be capable of executing. No weakling, no common murderer would have such a style of penmanship. That Chuck was a criminal was unbelievable. Yet—the note had been found beside Henn's body! It was evidence that should threaten her love for Chuck Nourse. Yet it didn't. Even though she was furiously trying to put herself into this state of mind, she couldn't.

She pored over the words he had written, the straightforward sincerity of them. They broke her heart anew. She read them again, trying to blaze them on her memory.

"Darling:

"It is because of my great love and respect for you that I implore you to reconsider the step you are about to take. Please think of the long years ahead, which might prove a heavier burden than your loveless heart could bear.

"Kay—I know you love me as I love you. Ask yourself again, my sweet, and do not make the mistake of marrying for something other than love.

"I suspect I have guessed your reason. But I shall finally make good, Kay. If you had faith in me, you would believe that. The new factory is nearly completed, nearly ready to begin operation. After that I shall be ready to take on greater responsibilities. Think what that means, darling.

"There is no love in the world so deep as ours.

"Think it over—and call me

"Your own.

"Chuck."

(To Be Continued)

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Announcements

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Dance—Ganges, Saltspring Island. B Platoon, "D" Company, 2nd Battalion (M.G.) Canadian Scottish Regiment, Monday, December 26. McEwan's Four-Piece Orchestra. Tickets, 50c. Ferry from Swartz Bay, 5 p.m.

Will the gentleman who helped to start a stalled car on Pandora Avenue, opposite Stadacona Park, Monday, Dec. 19, about 10 p.m., please inform Russ Humber, 616 Gorge Road. Please call personally.

Gifts that cannot be duplicated. Choice Books and Rare Old Prints. Very modest prices. Hunter's, 1216 Government.

GIVE PARTY TO THEIR SPONSOR

Burnaby Home Boys Honor Attorney-General of British Columbia

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP).—Forty-three youths at New Haven, the Borstal-patterned institution of the British Columbia Government in Burnaby, gave a party for the man who made their new home available.

The estate on Marine Drive, midway between Vancouver and New Westminster, was one year old yesterday and the boys played host to Attorney-General Gordon S. Wismer.

The youths had been convicted by British Columbia courts and sentenced to serve terms in Oakalla Prison, but instead were transferred to New Haven. They are all first offenders.

The Attorney-General thanked the boys for the record they have established. "To you and the citizens whose spirit of co-operation has made this possible, I give my sincere thanks," he said.

Among guests at the party were some of the "old boys" of New Haven—lads released during the year.

PARK BOARD GETS CHRISTMAS GIFT

Vancouver Given $10,000 by Bridge Company—May Be Used For New Roadway

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP).—The Vancouver park board today received a $10,000 Christmas gift from the First Narrows Bridge Company.

Chairman R. Rowe Holland, who announced the contribution and its acceptance at a meeting of the board, said the money would be used for reconstruction of a road around Stanley Park.

The bridge company constructed and operates the new suspension span over the entrance to Vancouver Harbor. The south approach to the bridge runs through the centre of Stanley Park.

Holland also announced official confirmation from Hon. A. Wells Gray, British Columbia Minister of Lands, of a plan to make the upper levels of the north shore of Burrard Inlet, extending from Howe Sound to Wigwam Inn, into a British Columbia Government park.

VAST SUMS PAID TO BLACKMAILERS

Authorities Say Swindler Gave $50,000 a Year to Hide His Real Identity

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 (CP).—Federal officials, delving into the McKesson and Robbins mystery, with its implications of blackmail, fraud and financial skullduggery, said today a disbarred lawyer was "one of the most important members of the blackmail ring," which extorted thousands from F. Donald Coster-Musica, late president of the drug firm.

Eight blackmailers, the Federal men said, collected about $50,000 between them annually on the strength of their knowledge that the corporation head was a former convict and arch-swindler, involved in a twenty-five-year-old scandal. Identities of the lawyer and the others were guarded.

Coster-Musica killed himself in his home at Fairfield, Conn., a week ago.

MORE SURRENDER ON LIQUOR COUNT

Only Two of Twenty-Four Persons Charged With Conspiracy Now Reported at Large

HALIFAX, Dec. 23 (CP). — Only two of twenty-four men charged with conspiracy to defraud the Federal Government of $4,000,000 by illegal importation and transportation of liquor were still at large tonight after surrender of Joseph Wolfe, of Lower Lahave, N.S.

Wolfe surrendered to Royal Canadian Mounted Police late Thursday and was brought here. Magistrate B. W. Russell remanded him until January 3 on bail of $3,000, same amount as set for the other twenty-one who also appear for preliminary hearing that day.

Thomas Rossiter and Jack Creighton, both of Halifax, have yet to be located.

THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY

"Science of Right Living" will be the subject for discussion at the Wednesday evening meeting of the Victoria Theosophical Society. Speakers will take up various methods for living a fuller and richer life. The meeting is at 8 p.m. in Room 204 Jones Building.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Tomorrow's Sunday school lesson in the International series is "God's Great Love" (Matthew II, 1-12), with the golden text, "God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."—John iii, 16.

Schedules of Planes Upset By Weather

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP). — Trans-Canada Air Lines officials said tonight their plane to Lethbridge had been delayed again tonight by poor visibility at Sea Island Airport, ten miles south of here. The ship was scheduled to take off at 7:15 p.m., but it was expected it would be grounded until about midnight.

Flight schedules for the past two days have been interrupted by low-lying fog and rain. Last night's eastbound plane was delayed about three hours, and the westbound trip from Lethbridge, due here at 5:20 a.m., was canceled.

MONTREAL ASKS SAFER HOLIDAY

Police Chief Suggests Motor-Car Drivers Act Like Gentlemen

MONTREAL, Dec. 23 (CP).—Motorists and others in Montreal were exhorted today by Police Chief Fernand Dufresne to "behave like gentlemen" in both their driving and drinking, and thereby avoid holiday accidents.

"Oh, I wouldn't go so far as that," Chief Dufresne said when asked whether he requested motorists to abandon their motor cars and use taxis if they have been drinking liquor.

"I would say everybody should behave like gentlemen," Chief Dufresne said. "That applies both to driving and drinking. Some persons can take three or four drinks and drive a car all right. But others who take only two drinks act worse than some with ten. It is so difficult to set a line of demarcation.

WATCH OTHER DRIVER

"Everybody should be more careful. It would be good for everyone to remember that even if he is perfectly sober, someone may be driving a car who is feeling gay or under the weather.

"Additional police have been assigned for duty on Christmas Eve, and they have been instructed to take cars away from any persons who show signs of drinking. We have done the same thing other years."

Unlike in Ontario, where beverage rooms and liquor stores have been ordered closed by 8 p.m., Christmas eve, clubs selling liquor and various cocktails in Montreal will continue mixing and dispensing drinks until their usual closing hour—2 a.m., Sunday.

ENCOURAGEMENT IN YULETIDE GREETINGS

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"The visit of our King and Queen will be an additional inspiration to all Canadians in the expression of their loyalty to our Sovereign, and cannot but strengthen the bonds not only bewteen the Provinces of the Dominion, but between Canada and the rest of the Empire.

"With repeated and sincerest wishes. "E. W. HAMBER,
"Lieutenant-Governor."

HON. JOHN HART

"At this season of the year, my thoughts turn to events which occurred but a few short months ago. Then, the whole Western civilization tottered on the brink of war, expecting momentarily to be precipitated into another conflict of nations such as attended the last Great War.

"As we look back to those dark days of anxiety, there is one thing that stands out in sharp contrast to all others at Christmastide. Regardless of political views, I think we may all be extremely thankful that we have come to another Christmas without an international tragedy darkening the homes of many and making the season one of doubt for millions.

"Truly we all should be thankful, at least in so far as the British Empire is concerned, to be able once again to say: 'Peace on earth, good will towards men.'

"JOHN HART,
"Minister of Finance."

R. W. MAYHEW, M.P.

"I am once again taking the liberty of asking space in your valuable paper, to wish the people of Greater Victoria a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

"A wish without action does not mean much. However, I do think that Victorians have made a very practical demonstration this year in active participation in disseminating Christmas cheer—when we remember the Community Chest effort, the recent Christmas Cheer fund, the Saanich Hamper fund, as well as many others. Those helping and contributing in any way should feel a certain satisfaction, but continue the effort until the unwanted guest of discomfort and cold charity is chased from our midst.

"As one citizen, I thank you all, and wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

"R. W. MAYHEW (M.P.)"

Premier Pattullo's Christmas message will be issued, as usual, through papers in his home riding at Prince Rupert, it was intimated at his offices here.

If one's wife only tries to keep up with the family next door, one is lucky. Wait till she tries to keep ahead of them.

WILL CONTROL LUMBER EXPORT

Form Japanese Association In Vancouver to Handle Trade for Orient

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP).—Col. Nelson Spencer said today a Japanese association had been formed, with the aid of the Tokio Government, to handle almost all of British Columbia's lumber exports to Japan and Japanese-dominated areas in China.

The president of Nelson Spencer Company, log brokers, said he had been informed of the move by four Japanese firms which formed the association: Tamura & Co.; Mitsui & Co.; Mitsubishi Trading Co., and Yamacho & Co. The association has been capitalized at $15,200.

When the association begins to operate, he said, all lumber exports in the Pacific Northwest, except logs for box-making, airplane spruce lumber, and logs for pulp manufacture, will be handled through it.

Lumber shippers in United States port in the Northwest will be affected also, Col. Spencer said.

Some British Columbia lumber exporters expressed alarm at the move to "monopolize" the export market to the Orient.

"All this means is that when any British Columbia exporter has lumber to sell he will go to one of the Japanese companies in the group and the sale will be arranged," said Col. Spencer. "I think it will do much to stabilize the Oriental export market."

FRENCH DESIRE SUPPLY OF OIL

Deputy Urges Independence In Case of War—Coal Conversion Suggested

PARIS, Dec. 23 (AP). — Deputy Charles Baron, in a confidential report to the Chamber of Deputies' mines committee recommended today the Government break France's dependence on the United States and Great Britain for oil, which, he declared, gave those nations virtual control of French diplomacy.

Baron, the committee's chairman, visited the United States last year to discuss French oil needs in case of war. His report declared:

"France cannot, even if she desired, take a firm position in the midst of diplomatic difficulties without fearing that an understanding between England and America, or even an agreement among the three trusts would prevent her from speaking firmly."

He recommended the Government adopt measures already used in Germany and Italy and erect plants to turn part of France's plentiful coal supply into liquid fuel.

He called for the use of wood-burning machinery in buses, trucks and heavy vehicles and intensification of the alcohol industry to supply fuel.

Of 6,000,000 tons of crude oil treated annually in French refineries, Baron declared at least two-thirds was furnished by the Standard Oil, Royal Dutch and Anglo-Persian oil companies, which he called "the three trusts."

DEVELOPING SERVICE TO FORMER COLONIES

BERLIN, Dec. 23 (CP-Havas).—The Woermann Shipping Line announced today it plans to add new ships to the service linking German ports with Togoland, the Cameroons and Southwest Africa — all former German colonies.

It also announced four principal passenger and freight lines serving the East Africa coast—where Tanganyika, also a former German colony, is located — would be developed.

City and District

Hall to Close—The City Hall will close at noon today and reopen at 9 o'clock on Wednesday morning.

For Speeding — Convicted of a charge of exceeding the speed limit of thirty miles per hour, a motorist was fined $10 in the city police court.

Library Hours—The public library will be closed on Monday and Tuesday. For reading and reference purposes, the building will be open on Christmas Day from 2 to 5:30 o'clock and from 7 to 9 o'clock.

Two Fined—A motorist was fined $2.50 in the city police court on a charge of parking his vehicle at a distance greater than twelve inches from a street curb. Another paid a fine of $2.50 for parking over the hour limit.

Lifting Highway Tolls—Tolls on the Cariboo Highway will be lifted by the Province for three months, commencing January 1, it was announced yesterday by Hon. F. M. MacPherson.

Office Entered—Dr. Arthur S Webster, 1405 Douglas Street, reported to police yesterday morning that his office had been entered. Detectives found entry had been gained by picking the lock. Dental gold valued at $6 was missing.

Taking Charge of Office — J. L. Hobbs, New Westminster, purchasing agent for Brackman-Ker, will come to Victoria to take charge of the firm's office on January 1. Mr. Hobbs joined the Victoria branch twenty-three years ago.

Pay Fines—Convicted of a charge of unlawfully and wilfully damaging property in the cafe of Charles Lewis on Government Street on Thursday night, Robert Smith was fined $5 in the city police court yesterday morning. George Allen was also fined $5 on a similar charge.

Endorse Control Plan—By a vote of 377 to 170, Lower Mainland and Vancouver Island growers have endorsed the British Columbia Coast vegetable marketing scheme, Hon. K. C. MacDonald announced yesterday. Ballots will be marked later for the election of a new control board.

Receives Gift — Capt. Norman Foster, instructor of the Victoria girls' drill team, was the recipient of an engraved, gold cigarette case as a token of esteem from the members of the unit on Thursday. The presentation was made during the team's regular practice session in the Chamber of Commerce Auditorium.

Examination Successes — Second place in the recent intermediate examinations of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of British Columbia was attained by G. F. Dunn, Victoria, according to a list of results issued by the institute yesterday. Other successful Victoria candidates in the intermediate examination were D. F. H. Corbett, K. R. Genn, F. J. Holden and J. W. Stephen.

Securities Regulation — Quotation of unlisted stocks, for which there exists no actual market, will be barred by the British Columbia securities branch, it was announced yesterday by officials of the Attorney-General's Department. Some brokers had in the past attempted to give "bid and asked" prices on stocks for which there was no actual market, leading to fictitious values. This practice would be curbed, officials said.

CHRISTMAS CHEER GOES TO PIONEERS

Daughters of Empire Send Boxes Of Good Things to Aged in Northern Yukon

DAWSON CITY, Y.T., Dec 23 (CP). —This North[redacted]day insured a merry Christmas for the handful of survivors of thousands who trekked over icy, death-dealing trails in the hectic gold rush of 1898.

From headquarters of the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire went out the annual season cheer boxes to aged and infirm among the Yukon's pioneers—the men and women who battled the elements to find the yellow metal and open a new section of the Dominion.

Less boxes were distributed this year than last. Death thinned the pioneers' ranks in 1938. Among those who died was Maxime Landereville, who arrived in Dawson four years before the gold rush—in 1894.

But Dawson's fourteen deaths during the year were counteracted by sixteen births. So many marriages have taken place that there are scarcely enough new homes in the city to go around.

Indians are ready for their annual potlatch at Moose Hide Village nearby, and tribal dances will be held all through next week. Church and fraternal societies plan elaborate Christmas and New Year festivities.

FRENCH CABINET TO VISIT LEBRUN

Daladier Summons Conference to Discuss Threatening International Situation

PARIS, Dec. 23 (AP). — Premier Daladier today summoned his Cabinet to meet with President Albert Lebrun at Elysee Palace tomorrow to review the threatening international situation arising from Italy's abandonment of her colonial pact with France.

Persons in close touch with the Government said France's reaction to the Italian note calling off the 1935 Laval-Mussolini agreement regarding Tunisia would be that any further action was up to Italy.

The Cabinet was expected in these quarters simply to study the Italian note and refrain from replying since Government spokesmen have made clear their position that the 1935 agreement represented the limit of France's African concessions to Italy.

ARMSTRONG SIGNED

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 23 (AP).—Formal announcement was made today that Henry Armstrong will defend his welterweight championship in a ten-round bout here January 10 with Baby Arizmendi, idol of Los Angeles Mexican boxing fans.

NO NEWS—GOOD NEWS

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP).—Kosma Duda, a Vancouver Ukranian, received his homeland newspaper as usual today—but there was no news in it. The entire front page was blank and there were other gaps throughout its eight-pages, due Duda believes, to a strict censorship that has resulted from Polish tension over demands for autonomy for residents of the Polish Ukraine.

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FATALLY BURNED

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 (AP).—John E Wertz, twenty-four, Columbia University scientist, died tonight from burns received in an explosion in a university laboratory earlier today. Wertz, an assistant in the chemistry department, was experimenting with gas when several retorts exploded and flames spread through the laboratory.

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Social Activities and Notes of Personal Interest

England's Christmas Time of Thanksgiving

Princesses' French Dolls Great Attraction and Marvel of Their Equipment Leaves London Wide-Eyed

By MOLLIE McOFE
Canadian Press Correspondent

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Tall fir trees with glittering fairy lights decorate the outside of London's largest shops. Parcel-laden shoppers crowd the sidewalks and the traffic is so congested it is often quicker to walk.

Christmas in England this year will be a feast of thanksgiving as well as of traditional celebration; gaiety has taken the place of gloom. From all sides come reports that this is the greatest shopping season ever seen.

The Christmas presents de luxe, though presented a long time before, are the two dolls given the children of France to Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret. With their complete trousseaux, two perambulators, two cribs and two automobiles, they are on show—for the benefit of charity—at St. James' Palace.

Visitors who walk in the door of the long salon where the pretty, snub-nosed French ladies, Mlle. France and Mlle. Marianne, stand in glass cases surrounded by their belongings on long tables, might think for a moment they had strayed into a bazaar of children's things. Certainly there is enough to stock any children's shop, a dozen of everything—to be worn under—about 126 dresses and more than thirty hats. Gloves and shoes by the dozen pairs, perfume, jewelery, writing cases and notepaper complete with monograms, even thimbles and scissors scaled to the size of the dolls' small, stubby fingers.

Most famous of French names are on the labels and boxes. Cartier made the head jewelery; Coty, Guerlain, Bourjois, Worth, Weil and Lancome the diminutive bottles of scent. The green and blue sports cars are from Citroen, makers of famous racing cars; the handbags from makers world famous for their artistry. Even the wardrobe trunks and leather dressing cases are of the very latest material available in the very latest style with the latest gadgets in miniature.

Mackintoshes, bathing suits, corselettes and sport suits of lastex are shown side by side with evening gowns by Maisons de Haute Couture.

EVEN FUR COATS

Vionnet made a gown for Marianne of cyclamen silk net, with appliques of panne velvet and underdress of silver lame; Lelong, a gown for France of silk chiffon in three tones of pink and blue with white, with spotted chiffon of the same shade for bows. One of the loveliest of the outfits is by Jean Patou, a white organdie garden party dress and hat embroidered with cornflowers, popples and wheat. The frilled sunshade has a posy of these flowers tied to the handle.

There are eight fur coats. One of real ermine is designed for evening, the others for sport and daytime wear. Baby leopard is used for a swagger coat and muff, grey Indian lamb with a muff to match is collared and cuffed with red velvet, and has red velvet buttons.

Lingerie with beautifully embroidered motifs and real lace edgings, umbrellas in silk and oiled silk, boxes of precious scraps of lace and linen in handkerchiefs, dressing gowns of satin, negligees of chiffon—they are all there.

A whole wall is occupied by the case of hats that include affairs with feathers and flowers by Rose Descat, Caroline Reboux & Agnes, Lucille Paray, Worth and Rose Valois have also designed bonnets—of a modern variety—for what surely is the greatest collection of dolls' wearables ever seen.

Will the Princesses ever play with them? It seems doubtful! They will probably form a much-visited collection in one of London's many museums.

The first children to see them outside the Royal Family were the thirty youngsters who live with their parents in the Royal Mews. They are the families of the grooms, gardeners, coachmen and stable men, and though they play under Buckingham Palace's back windows, they rarely see even from a distance the two little ladies of their own age who live inside.

The visit to the show of the French dolls was the first taste of Christmas for these children this year. Just before the great day itself, the Master of the Horse, the Duke of Beaufort, gives a party for the whole junior contingent from the palace, with presents for everybody, and a huge tree.

ROYAL CHRISTMAS

The Princesses had their foretaste of Christmas at a children's party at Buckingham Palace on the King's birthday, December 14. There were about 150 guests of their own age, a little younger — including Prince Edward and his sister, Princess Alexandra—and a little older. The children played games, and there was Princess Margaret's favorite entertainer, a conjuror. At a party last year, when she was offered a front seat for such a performance, she politely refused, explaining she was afraid she might see "too well."

On Christmas Day itself the two Royal children will be present at the Christmas tree party given annually at Sandringham by the King and Queen for their workmen and tenants. Already huge saddles of beef are being piled in the Sandringham stables for distribution a few days before the feast.

Helping With Coffee Party

MRS. THOMAS STEVENSON
Who is assisting with the coffee party to be held on Monday, December 26, at 11 a.m., at the home of Miss Patricia Carney, 521 Linden Avenue, under the auspices of the Junior Auxiliary to St. Joseph's Hospital. Miss Eileen Pendray is the general convener, and is being assisted by Miss Nan Hutton, Miss Roma Dorman and Miss Miriam Biggin.

Dinner Party At Esquimalt

The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Quinn, 1331 Esquimalt Road, was the scene of a jolly Christmas dinner party last evening, when seventy men of Esquimalt municipality, including those on relief, old-age pensioners and needy men without pensions or means of support, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Pooley.

It has been an annual Christmas custom of Mr. and Mrs. Pooley to give this dinner party, and Mr. and Mrs. Quinn prepare the feast. The menu included soup, turkey, dressing, etc., Brussels sprouts, peas, potatoes, cranberry sauce and chutney, Christmas pudding, fifty pounds of which was made by Mrs. Quinn; Christmas cake, nuts, apples, oranges, and "smokes" at the end of the meal.

The long tables were beautifully decorated with crackers, holly and greenery. Rev. James Hood said Grace, and after dinner, a lively sing-song, led by Mrs. M. Jones, was much enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Pooley arrived during the evening and were enthusiastically greeted by their appreciative guests.

Assisting in serving were Miss Phyllis Pooley, Miss Pamela Beard, Miss Allen, Miss Janet Henderson, Miss Kathleen Williams, Mrs. J. Taylor and Mrs. J. Hibbert.

Whist Drive Series Comes to a Close

QUALICUM BEACH, Dec. 23.—The well-attended series of whist drives held here in the last five weeks under the auspices of the Qualicum Beach branch, Canadian Legion, came to an end on Wednesday evening, when twenty-seven tables competed in the final session. The prize for the highest score of the series was won by Mrs. J. V. Wilkinson, with Mrs. W. Meredith, second in the ladies' section, and Mr. F. Rockett and Mr. G. H. Aldous leading among the gentlemen.

Mr. T. H. Sawyer carried off the turkey for the high individual score of the evening, and the leading table comprised Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Jarvis and Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Gibson. The consolation awards went to Messrs. H. Mant, P. Morgan, W. White and K. Harker.

The thanks of the branch were extended by the president, C. H. Jarvis, to all who had helped to make the series such a success, and especially to the Ladies' Auxiliary, to the master of ceremonies, W. Dunbar, and to Mrs. Dunbar, who was given a small token of appreciation of her work in keeping the accounts of the series. A creditable sum was realized towards the funds of the branch.

Party at Qualicum

QUALICUM BEACH, Dec. 23.—The annual whist drive of the Agricultural Association of this district, held on Tuesday in the Errington Memorial Hall, was a great success, with thirty-five tables in play and excellent support from all communities.

At the winning table were Mr. and Mrs. Clapham and Mr. and Mrs. Dunbar, Qualicum Beach; runners-up, Mr. and Mrs. O. Thames and Mr. and Mrs. Barrett, Bowser; while Miss Smithers, Parksville, won the ladies' prize, and Mr. A. Snelling, Qualicum Beach, the gentlemen's. The first prize, a turkey, went to Mr. C. Thames, Bowser; two roasts of beef to Mrs. M. Sawyer and Mr. F. Rockett, Qualicum Beach; side of bacon to Mr. H. Slasor, Coombs, and cakes to Mrs. G. Mant, Qualicum Beach, and Mrs. Musselwhite, Coombs.

Numerous other prizes were well distributed through the district. Refreshments were served under the supervision of Mrs. D. Morley.

BADMINTON CLUB

There were twelve tables in play at the turkey drive which was held on Wednesday evening in the Strawberry Vale Community Hall, under the auspices of the Badminton Club. Prizes were won by the following: First, Mrs. Tayler and Mr. Gordon Girton; second, Mrs. R. Warnock and Mr. J. Gregory-Allan; consolation, Miss Patsy Gilham and Mr. Lee. The traveling prize was won by Gordon Girton, and the chicken prizes by Mrs. Bradstock and Mr. W. Jardie. Refreshments were served by Mrs. R. Peters, Mrs. J. Gregory-Allan and Mrs. E. Groutage.

Young People's Dance Given at Yacht Club

Colonel and Mrs. Walter Bapty and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. J. Millins entertained jointly at a delightful Christmas dance last night at the Royal Victoria Yacht Club for their daughters, Miss Laura Bapty and Miss Betty Millins. The Yuletide decorations throughout the rooms made a festive setting, and the latest and most popular dance hits were played by an excellent orchestra.

Among the invited guests were Misses Patsy Barr, Joan Thompson, Thisbe Fletcher, Ruth and Betty-Lou Horton, Rosemary Williams, Constance and Mary Stephens, Phyllis Milligan, Helen Woodcroft, Suzette Plimley, Mollie Morton, Mary Lou Bryant, Roseanna Gillespie, Sylvia Piddington, Holly Greer, Betty Young, Elizabeth Pearce, Mary Worsley, Mary Noakes, Nina Greig, Naneen Stephens, Helen Cornwall, Betty Burns, Sheila McArthur, Barbara Sloan, Barbara Bate, Betty McMurray, Maisie Speck, Barbara Jackson, Vera Kennedy Smith, Joan Fisher, Elizabeth McLagan, Evelyn Lettice, Elizabeth Angus, Patsy Watson, Mary Lindgren, June Macdonald, Antisell Leask, Gladys Van Eck, Joy Winsby, Yvonne Lowden.

Misses Elizabeth McCarter, Pat Craig, Cecilin Munro, June Bertha Burnett, Margaret Jukes, Audrey Eberts, Muriel Uhthoff, Josephine Wilson, Sue Jones, Ann Ridewood, Gwen Wright, Betty and Muriel Thatcher, Priscilla Wright, Dorothy Campbell, Rachel Jukes, Denise Mara, Felicity Grant, Clare King, Joan Forrest, Angela and Vyvyan Hartison, Diana and Daphne Ker, Elizabeth Martin, Agatha McGiverin, Mary Drury, Jean Sinclair, Jane Holland, Esme Ketchen, Pamela Jones, Pat Bate, Peggy Frame, Bunty Maynard, Nancy Asselstine, Caro Wyllie, Sheila McCabe, Frances Prescott.

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"Clever men don't make the best husbands," says a writer. That may be because they're seldom husbands.

Some Suggestions for Week-End Visiting

When daughter goes away for the week-end she would like something new and appropriate for youth. Fashion makers offer these suggestions for that week-end visit. Anne Shirley wears a tailored street frock that is appropriate for shopping, teas and a matinee. It is perfect for all daytime occasions in town. The brief bolero jacket is made of black ribbed silk and matches the skirt. The accent for youth for evening is color. Ann Miller has chosen a tulip-yellow chiffon for her dancing frock. The skirt is full and is corded and shirred to match the little bodice. Annabella discovered something new in line of sports attire when she hit upon that four-piece ensemble. It is grand for outdoor activities in the country and also is ideal for golfing at Southern or California clubs. The jacket is of light beige softly plaided on brown and worn with a warm beige skirt.

Witty Kitty

BY NINA WILCOX PUTNAM

It's hard to keep from feeling upset when a fellow sweeps you off your feet.

CHEMAINUS CHILDREN GIVEN ENTERTAINMENT

CHEMAINUS, Dec. 23.—Tuesday was gala day in Chemainus. Promptly at 1 o'clock five large buses and several private cars drew up at the postoffice to gather some three hundred-odd children to be taken to the Ladysmith picture show as the guests of Santa Claus and Mrs. Humbird. Following the show they were brought back to the Chemainus Recreation Hall, where they were joined by some two hundred smaller children and mothers. This is the thirteenth year that Mr. and Mrs. Humbird have entertained the children of employees and entire district. Many new helpers appear from year to year, but three of the original assistants were again at their places this year. As the children left the hall the scene was made more gay by the huge eighty-foot Christmas tree on Mr. Humbird's lawn with its two hundred-odd lights.

Clubs-Societies

Whist Social

Twenty-two tables were in play at the turkey whist social held on Thursday evening by the Women's Conservative Association at their clubrooms, Campbell Building, under the convenership of Mrs. J. T. Witty and Mrs. H. B. Chamberlin. Mr. F. A. Willis acted as master of ceremonies, assisted by Mr. R. H. Hiscocks. At the close of the evening prizes were presented by Mrs. Witty to the following: First, Mrs. H. Lawrie and Mr. J. Telford; second, Mrs. G. F. Salmon and Mrs. H. Wallace; third, Mrs. F. Turner and Mr. T. C. Hubbard. The contest was won by Mrs. I. Slack and guessing the weight of the cake by Mrs. Witty.

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Social Activities and Notes of Personal Interest

Celebrating Anniversary Of Marriage

Married fifty years ago today at the Manse in Rexton, Kent County, New Brunswick, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander J. Curran, Oak Bay Avenue, are celebrating the occasion by holding a family reunion this evening at the home of their daughter, Mrs. M. C. Wilkinson, Hampshire Road, Oak Bay. Rexton was the birthplace of one of England's Prime Ministers, Rt. Hon. Andrew Bonar Law, whose father, Rev. James Law, officiated at the wedding of Mrs. Curran's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Murray.

Mr. Curran for a number of years carried on an extensive lumber business, and for the greater part of that time was a member of the Kent County Council. Later, when the family removed to Moncton, he invested in real estate, and was elected alderman of the city.

While visiting his daughter, Mrs. Wilkinson, in 1923, Mr. Curran purchased the property of the late Mr. Fernie, where the family took up its residence in 1924, and where they have lived since that time.

The family consisted of nine children: Alexander Murray, who enlisted with the Canadian Army Medical Corps in Winnipeg, was killed while bringing in his wounded companion under fire; Greta, after a brilliant course at Mount Allison Ladies' College, passed away at the age of nineteen; and of the seven who remain, all live in the West, with the exception of one daughter, Mrs. Colin Morton, who makes her home in New Brunswick.

Mrs. Margaret C. Wilkinson, of this city, is a graduate of Mount Allison University, and taught in Saanich for four years after coming to British Columbia, being for two years of that time principal of Strawberry Vale School. Since residing in the city, she has engaged in young people's work through the various organizations of the city.

Another daughter, Miss Verna Curran, is a graduate of the Royal Jubilee Hospital; Mrs. John A. Damitio, who before her marriage was night supervisor of the Aberdeen General Hospital, lives in Aberdeen, Wash. Two sons, Allan and Harold, reside in Victoria, and another son, T. Hibbert Curran, who attended Victoria College, has followed the profession of teaching in Alberta for a number of years.

HOLDS CHRISTMAS CONCERT

CHEMAINUS, Dec. 23.—The annual Christmas tree and party of St. Michael's and All Angels' Sunday School was held in the Parish Hall, Thursday afternoon and evening. Games were superintended and refreshments served to the junior and senior Sunday schools by the teachers.

Married Fifty Years Ago

MR. AND MRS. ALEXANDER J. CURRAN
Oak Bay Avenue, Will Celebrate Their Golden Wedding This Evening at the Home of Their Daughter, Mrs. M. C. Wilkinson, 1211 Hampshire Road, With a Family Reunion and Dinner.

Social and Personal

Party for Bride-to-Be

Mrs. D. C. Rife, 1711 Bay Street, entertained Thursday evening for her granddaughter, Miss Maude Cooper, whose marriage to Mr. George Bone will take place next week. During the evening games were played, the prize winners being Miss Edith Readings, Miss Maude Cooper, Mrs. C. Turner and Vivienne Turner. The bride-to-be was presented with a decorated clothes basket containing many gifts by her cousin, Miss Margaret Turner. Refreshments were served from the table decorated in Christmas colors, this scheme being used throughout the house. The invited guests were Mrs. G. F. Cooper, Mrs. E. Bone, Mrs. G. P. Cooper, Mrs. D. Garman, Mrs. C. Turner, Mrs. A. Roach, Mrs. E. Stewart, Mrs. A. Hardwick, Mrs. Gordon, Misses Helen Lidgate, Margaret Turner, H. Stewart, Vivienne Bales, Muriel Hardwick, Dorothy Hardwick, Molly Mitchell, Kathleen Mitchell, Audrey Meston, Edith Readings, Winnie Kirchin and Muriel Creech.

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Annual Party

The annual Christmas party for the patients in the Children's Ward of the Royal Jubilee Hospital was held yesterday afternoon by the Daughters of Pity. The fourteen patients enjoyed a programme of music and dance numbers by the pupils of Violet Fowkes. The singing of "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks" was followed by a Spanish tap dance by Frances Farmer and Nora Rushworth; Dutch song and dance, Valerie Brown, Shirley Harknett, Beth Wayber and Yvonne McKiernon; tap dance, Frank Rodwell; Russian dance, Gloria McRoberts and Margaret Brown; song and tap dance, Yvonne Simpson; fairy dance, Kathleen Cruickshanks, Joan Morgan and Joyce Unwin. Mrs. Nelson Brown accompanied the dancers. Miss Elaine Harte sang "Santa Claus Is Coming to Town," following which Santa Claus appeared, much to the delight of the children, and presented the gifts from the beautifully-decorated tree. Accompanied by Miss C. Moore, Elaine Harte sang "Silent Night." Mr. F. E. Winslow spoke briefly and thanked the members of the society for the delightful party, and Miss Kathleen Roberts, who was of great assistance. Alderman John Worthington accompanied Mr. Winslow as representative of the hospital board. The ward was most artistically arranged with Christmas decorations. The entertainers were later given ice cream and cake by the members, and Miss Mitchell served tea to members of the society.

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Christmas Visitors

Among the many visitors to Victoria who registered at the Empress Hotel yesterday, for the Christmas season, were: Mrs. Kenneth Colinan, Miss C. Horton, Miss Mary Lisa, Miss E. McBride, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Hanselpacker, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Thorgrisinson, Miss M. Stoker, Miss A. G. Hendy, Miss E. E. Pyle, Miss C. J. Clark, Miss A. Cook, Seattle; Mr. and Mrs. F. Greenwood, Portland; Miss E. Adams, Miss H. M. Crane, Mrs. G. H. Powell, Mrs. R. C. Polk, Mrs. James Ashton, Mr. and Mrs. J. Davies, Miss V. Davies, Tacoma; Mr. and Mrs. E. Collins, Denver; Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Watts, Crystal Springs; Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Gudewill, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Armstrong, Miss K. Armstrong, Miss M. Ogilvie, Miss G. Moore, Vancouver; Mrs. G. A. Playfair, Campbell River; Colonel and Mrs. A. Playfair, Qualicum; Miss L. Leithead, Toronto; Miss D. Robinson and Miss M. Simes, Naramata.

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Honored by Bridge Club

Miss Dorothy Reece, whose marriage to Mr. Ernest V. McConnell will take place on Boxing Day, was special guest at a miscellaneous shower when her bridge club met recently for its usual game, at the home of Mrs. Mary Black, Mount Edwards Apartments. The varied gifts, gaily wrapped and tied, were heaped in front of the bride-elect. After a previous meeting of the club, the members presented Miss Reece with a handsome tri-lite lamp. The members present were: Mrs. Mary Black, Mrs. Henry Yeadon, the Misses Agnes and Margaret Grant, Margaret Horne, Nellie Cannon and Florence Horne.

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Entertains Pupils

Miss Hazel McMahon, A.T.C.M., assistant teacher to Mrs. Milton White, entertained her piano pupils at a twilight recital and supper party last Saturday evening. Taking part in the programme of piano solos and duets were: Dorothy Davidson, Yvonne Adams, Bobby Adams, Lex Ciceri, Dorothy Adams and Naomi Webb, Dorothy Davidson also danced in costume, and Harold Adams played the beautiful Brahms "Cradle Song" as a violin solo. Bobby and Burton Adams sang Christmas carols, and after supper, games were enjoyed by the young guests.

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Impromptu Party Held

The girls of the staff of the surveyor of taxes and income tax departments held an impromptu party yesterday afternoon, after closing hours, in honor of Miss Edna M. MacKenzie, who was leaving her position on the staff to be married. Miss Alberta White, on behalf of her co-workers, presented Miss MacKenzie with additional pieces of flat silver to match her set. Many good wishes for the New Year and for her future were expressed by Miss White. In acknowledging the gift, Miss MacKenzie made a fitting little speech.

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Presentation Made

Miss Edna M. MacKenzie, who yesterday left her position on the staff of the surveyor of taxes department, was presented with a handsome case of Rogers 1847 silver in the "Lovelace" pattern. Mr. Thomas Cole, in a very happy speech, made the presentation, voicing not only the seasonal good wishes, but also those upon her approaching marriage. To this Miss MacKenzie graciously responded. Shortly after Christmas, Miss MacKenzie will leave for Toronto, where her marriage to Mr. Osborne Sutton will take place.

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From Port Essington

Mr. George Cunningham, Port Essington, is in the city for a few weeks. It has been the custom of Mr. Cunningham to divide the Winter months between Victoria and California. This Winter he says he will stay in Victoria, as last Winter in California proved so disagreeable with regard to weather. He has been associated with the north coast of the province from the early days when he was identified with his father in the trading business both at Essington and Hazelton.

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Christening Ceremony

The christening of the baby son of Mr. and Mrs. Waldo M. Skillings, 767 Falkland Road, took place at St. Mary's Church, Oak Bay, on Sunday afternoon, Ven. Archdeacon Nunns officiating. The baby received the names Waldo Edward, and the godparents are Mr. Myddleton Evans, who is now in England; Mr. T. R. Bowden, Miss Jean Findlay and Miss Lois Harris, the baby's aunt. After the service Mr. and Mrs. Skillings entertained a number of relatives and intimate friends at tea.

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Entertains Pupils

Miss Gwendoline Harper, 1020 Bank Street, entertained her pupils on Thursday evening with a Christmas party. The programme consisted of compositions from the works of Bach, Beethoven, Chopin, Palmgren, Grieg and Cyril Scott. After the programme refreshments were served.

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Holidaying Here

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. A. Johnston and their children, Teddy and Desmond, are spending the holidays with Mrs. Johnston's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Barnett, Cedar Hill Road. Mr. Johnston has lately been transferred to Ocean Falls.

TODAY'S RECIPE

BRAN BROWNIES

ONE cup butter or margarine; one cup sugar; two eggs; two squares (two ounces) unsweetened chocolate; one-half teaspoon salt; one-half cup whole bran; one-third cup flour; one cup broken nut meats; one teaspoon vanilla extract.

Cream butter or margarine and sugar. Beat eggs; add. Melt chocolate; add. Add remaining ingredients. Bake in greased pan 8x8x2 in moderate over (350 degs. F.) forty-five minutes. Cut in squares.

For Brownie Bars—Reserve half the walnuts to sprinkle on top of mixture before baking. Cut in bars.

For Brownie Cup Cakes—Bake in small, greased cup cake pans. Top with white frosting.

Visitors in Washington, D.C.

Captain Anthony Eden, former British Foreign Secretary, and his attractive wife, shown at a Washington railway station, captivated the residents of the United States capital during their day's visit, which included a call at the White House and a tour of Washington's home at Mount Vernon.

From California

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Cameron arrived yesterday from Stockton, California, and during the holidays will be with Mr. Cameron's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Cameron, Moss Street, and also with Mrs. Cameron's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Tripp, Yale Street, Oak Bay.

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Expected From Vancouver

Miss Betty Monteith, R.N., is expected from Vancouver today to spend the Christmas season with her parents, Major and Mrs. R. G. Monteith, Oak Bay Avenue.

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From New Westminster

Mr. and Mrs. R. Foulis, New Westminster, will spend Christmas with their parents here. They will be accompanied by their small son, Robin.

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In Vancouver

Mr. and Mrs. L. Bruce Latimer are spending the Christmas holidays with their son-in-law and daughter, Sir Stephen and Lady Lennard, Vancouver.

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Leave for Seattle

Mrs. R. W. Shannon, 1503 Rockland Avenue, left on Wednesday to spend Christmas in Seattle, and will leave next week to visit in London, Toronto and Kingston.

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Coming for Christmas

Miss Margaret Lewis will arrive in the city tomorrow from Seattle and will spend the Christmas weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis, Government Street.

Here From Vancouver

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick J. Brand, Vancouver, are spending the holiday season in Victoria as guests of Mrs. Brand's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hembroff, Craigdarroch.

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At the Windermere

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Muskett arrived yesterday from Qualicum Beach and are staying at the Windermere Hotel for a few days.

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At James Bay Hotel

Major J. E. Mathews has arrived from Tacoma and is staying at the James Bay Hotel.

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From Sandwick

Mrs. A. B. Dundas has arrived from Sandwick, B.C., to spend the Winter at the James Bay Hotel.

CHINA INLAND MISSION

The monthly meeting of the China Inland Mission will be held on Tuesday in the Y.M.C.A. at 8 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Lambert, of this city, will give their farewell messages before sailing for China early in January.

Women's Institutes

CRAIGFLOWER

Members of the Craigflower Institute, with their sons, daughters and friends enjoyed the Christmas party held at St. Martin's-in-the-Field Hall on Wednesday afternoon. Santa Claus received a hearty welcome, and after a sing song, he presented the gifts from the tree to the guests. Games were enjoyed, after which refreshments were served.

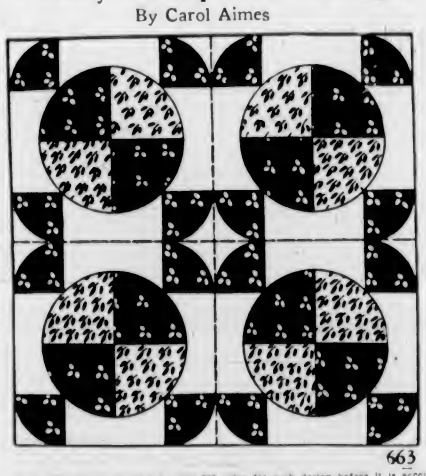
At the Hotels

DOMINION

T. Manson, Vancouver; Steve Murphy, Zeballos; J. A. Campbell, R. Munro, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Condon, C. W. Bell, Vancouver; L. Whiskin, Youbou; Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Svedberg, Stockton, Sask.; W. J. Rennie, Vancouver; Captain and Mrs. J. D. Williams, Ladysmith; J. A. Colbert, Vancouver; E. C. and J. T. Collins, Ganges; C. R. Blackett, Edmonton; Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Johnston, Red Lodge, Mont.; Miss L. P. Hibarger, Miss G. Farmer, Yakima, Wash.; D. Howden, R. Herbert, Mrs. R. Kyle, Port Alberni; T. Bassett, Medicine Hat; B. G. Porsythe, Birch Island, B.C.; Capt. A. Sinclair, Vancouver.

Today's Popular Design

By Carol Aimes



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NEW ENGLAND VILLAGE QUILT PATCH—DESIGN NO. 663

Dear Readers: A lady from the West drew us a sketch of this quilt design. Luckily we had the pattern for it on hand, for she plans to make one for her daughter's trousseau. "I had one in mine," she writes, "made by my grandmother; I plan to make this one in mauve and yellow patterned material with pale green background." A delightful color scheme—a lovely pattern—and our compliments to the lucky bride.

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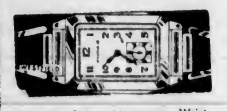

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Christmas Crackers, filled with double contents. Regular 65c. Special, box 49c
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16-oz. at 19c
Dainty Dates, with walnuts, 17-oz. packet 20c
Fresh California Dates, per lb. 23c
Crystallized Ginger ..... 2 lbs. 25c
Pecans, per lb 25c
Cluster Table Raisins, pkt 20c

Fresh Fruits and Vegetables

California Tangerina Oranges, sweet and juicy. Special, box 69c
Celery, each 10c
Cauliflower, each, 15c and 20c
Brussels Sprouts ..... 3 lbs. 23c
Ripe Tomatoes, lb. 15c
Cape Cod Cranberries, lb. 27c
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Green Peas, Cut Green Beans, Cut Kernel Corn, 12-oz. cartons, 23c ..... 2 for 45c
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Strawberries, Loganberries, Raspberries and Cherries, 15-oz. carton, 23c ..... 2 for 45c
Corn on the Cob. Each cob wrapped in parchment paper, per dozen 60c

Canada Dry Ginger Ale, in Christmas packages. Pints, per dozen 1.89
Lea & Perrin's Worcestershire Sauce, per bottle ..... 36c and 63c
Old English Wines. Ginger, Old Port or Cherry. Large bottle. Special 19c
Gold Band Wines, Ginger, Old Port or Cherry, bottle, 39c ..... 3 for 1.15
Libby's Pickles, Sweet and Sour Mixed or Mustard. 18-oz. Jar 25c
Empress Cranberry Jelly, 12-oz. Jar 23c

CANNED FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

Aylmer Peas, size 2's, 17-oz. tins ..... 2 for 27c
Royal Prince Peas, size 2's, No. 2 tins ..... 3 for 28c
Royal City Golden Bantam Corn, 17-oz. tins ..... 3 for 28c
Birk's Pineapple, Sliced, Cubed and Crushed ..... 3 tins 37c
Libby's Fruit Cocktail, 8½-oz. tins ..... 2 for 23c
Aylmer Peaches, Sliced or Halves, large 2½ tins, 25c ..... 2 for 49c
Royal City Peas and Carrots, 17-oz. tins ..... 2 for 23c

CASH AND CARRY SPECIALS

Stock Up With Plenty of Food Supplies for the Three Day Holiday. Take Advantage of These Special Prices and Save!

Peas, Lynn Valley, size 2's, 17-oz. tins ..... 3 for 20c
Cut Green Beans, Aylmer, 17-oz. tins ..... 3 tins 22c
Fruit Cocktail, Libby's, 1's, tall tin 18c
Pickles, Happy-Vale Sweet or Sour Mixed or Mustard, 32-oz. Jar 23c
Sauce, H.P., large bottle 26c
Pineapple Juice, Dole's, 47-oz. tins, at ..... 2 for 17c
Corn, Country Kist Golden Bantam, 17-oz. tins ..... 2 tins 17c
Chili Sauce or Chutney, Heinz, large bottle 23c
Tomato Juice, Libby's, 10½-oz. tins at ..... 2 for 9c
25½-oz tin 9c
Mincemeat, Hunter's, 11-oz carton 10c

FLOUR SPECIAL

Biz Loaf Flour, Milled by the Makers of Five Roses Flour
24-lb. sack 75c
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SUGAR

B.C. Finest Granulated
5-lb. bag 34c
10-lb. sack 65c
20-lb sack 1.25

Apricots, Lynn Valley, 17-oz. tins at ..... 2 for 21c
Bartlett Pears, Sainsbury's, 2's, usual, at ..... 2 tins 25c
Royal City Peas and Carrots, 17-oz. tins ..... 2 for 19c
Peaches, Lynn Valley, 2's, usual, at ..... 2 tins 25c
Jellied Cranberries, Shirriff's, 12-oz. Jar 23c
Cluster Table Raisins, dessert, per pkt. 17c
Sodas, Ormond's, Plain or Salted, pkt 14c
Sweet Mandarin Oranges, per box 65c
Asparagus Tips, Libby's, All Green, 10½-oz. tins 16c
Jelly Powders, Nabob assorted flavors, packet 3c
Tea, Victory Blend ..... 3 lbs. 1.00
Coffee, H B C Blend, per lb 17c

BUTTER

Hudsonia, First Grade only, per lb. 27c
3 lbs. 79c
Side Bacon, Hudsonia, sliced, per lb 25c
Lard, 1-lb carton 10c
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What Today Means

"CAPRICORN"

If December 24 is your birthday, the best hours for you on this date are from 11:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.; from 4:15 to 6:15 p.m., and from 8:15 to 10:15 p.m. The danger periods are from 9.15 to 11:15 a.m.; from 6:15 to 8:15 p.m. and from 10:15 p.m. until midnight.

Your words and actions this day may have an important bearing on tomorrow, making Christmas Day a very merry one or just the reverse. It will be wise for you to control your temper and tongue. Let the spirit of Christmas animate your thoughts and deeds, and make you conscious of any selfish motive that might have a bad reaction on those near and dear to you. Let sentimental values be of greater importance to you than monetary ones. Avoid crowds, for they are liable to upset your disposition. This is a poor day to try to force any issue or to insist upon having your own way. Practice moderation in all you do throughout the day. You must conserve your energies, if you expect the next twenty-four hours to be pleasant ones. Married and engaged couples, as well as those who have under consideration a proposal of marriage may be called upon to practice a good deal of forbearance this day, to avoid a lot of fuss and bother.

If a woman and December 24 is your birthday, you ought to have a keen understanding of the frailties of those you know intimately and be prepared to make allowances for them. By being sympathetic and charitable you can brighten not only your own, but many other people's lives. In all likelihood a wave of prosperity is going to pick you up and carry you to the land of plenty. You are apt to find yourself having a widespread influence for the accomplishment of a great amount of good. Through your nimble fingers and wit you may attract a great deal of favorable attention that might lead to your making large sums of money. As a dietitian, trained nurse, airplane hostess, interior decorator, artist, musician or actress, you may make a remarkably fine record. You and your husband ought never to have any justification to regret your marriage.

The child born on December 24 has generally a mind that absorbs knowledge with a surprising amount of ease. Capricorn children, born on this date, are difficult to influence against their wills. Except strong characters, they usually force their way to the front ranks by exercising an exceptional amount of perseverance and unswerving loyalty.

If a man and December 24 is your natal day, you will go "through fire and water" to maintain a principle or to protect those you love. You ought to be universally respected and your opinion is likely to carry great weight. Through some artistic, literary, theatrical, scientific, musical or commercial line of endeavor you may win an enviable position in society.

INCREASING PATROL

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP).—Extra policemen will patrol Vancouver's streets during Christmas Eve in the annual campaign against holiday traffic accidents. Chief W. W. Foster, who made the announcement, issued a call to all motorists to drive with caution.

ASKED FOR IT

A bus was crossing over Westminster Bridge. One of the passengers, an American, gazed out of the window at the Thames with great scorn.

"Say, bo," he said to the conductor, "what's that little stream over there?"

With well-feigned concern, the conductor answered:

"Well, darn it! The radiator must be leakin' again!"

Churches and Their World-Wide Work

SPECIAL MUSIC TO BE FEATURED

"When Birthdays Have No Meaning" Evening Sermon At St. Andrew's

Carols played this Christmas Eve upon the chimes will be the contribution of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church to the welcome extended to Christmas. Specially prepared services will be conducted tomorrow by the minister, Rev. J. Lewis W. McLean, with the choir directed by Jesse A. Longfield.

At the morning service the beginners' and primary departments of the Sunday school will attend while the sacrament of baptism is dispensed; the minister will tell a Christmas story; parents with small children have been invited. The choir numbers will be "O Thou That Tellest" (Handel), with Mrs. Radcliffe taking the solo; also two carols, "See, Amid the Winter Snow" (Goss) and "Good King Wenceslas." The minister's Christmas message is entitled "Unto You This Day."

The evening service will feature Christmas music in choir numbers and congregational singing. Mrs. Radcliffe will sing "He Shall Feed His Flock" (Handel), and Mrs. T. Lister "Come Unto Him" (Handel). The choir will sing Prindle Scott's composition, "Following That Star," with A. W. Trevett taking the solo parts; also Handel's chorus, "And the Glory," and will conclude, joined by the congregation, by singing the "Hallelujah Chorus." "When Birthdays Have No Meaning" is the minister's sermon subject.

Anglican Services

Christ Church Cathedral

CHRISTMAS EVE
The Eucharist—11:30 P.M.
CHRISTMAS DAY
Holy Communion—7 A.M., 8 A.M., and 9:30 A.M.
Holy Communion (Choral)—11 A.M.
Preacher: THE DEAN
Evensong—7:30 P.M.
Preacher: THE PRECENTOR

St. John's Church

7 A.M.—Holy Communion
8 A.M.—Holy Communion
11 A.M.—Morning Prayer and Holy Communion
Preacher: Rev. G. R. V. Bolster
7:30 P.M.— Festal Evensong and Carol Service
Rector
Rev. Canon F. A. P. Chadwick, M.A.

St. Mary's, Oak Bay

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICES
Holy Communion, 6 a.m., 8, 9:30 A.M. and 12 Noon
Matins and Sermon, 11 A.M.
Carol Service, 3:45 P.M.
Sunday School Carol Service, 10:15 A.M.
Holy Communion, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 10:30 A.M.; Wednesday at 8 A.M.
Archdeacon A. E. deL. Nunns, M.A.
Rev. H. St.J. Payne, M.A., Assistant

St. Barnabas'

Cor. Cook and Caledonia (Na. 3 Car)
8 A.M.—Holy Eucharist
11 A.M.—Holy Eucharist; Suna
7:30 P.M.—Evensong
Rev. N. E. Smith, Rector

St. Saviour's Church

Victoria West, Cor. Catherine and Henry Streets (Cars 1 or 5)
Rev. P. Vernon Venables, Rector
CHRISTMAS DAY
8 A.M.—Holy Communion
11 A.M.—Holy Communion (Choral) Sermon and Procession
There Will Be No Evening Service. The Annual Sunday School Christmas Party Will Be Held Friday, December 30, at 8 o'Clock. Programme at 7:30 P.M. in the Parish Hall.

ST. PAUL'S NAVAL AND GARRISON CHURCH, ESQUIMALT

CHRISTMAS EVE
Holy Communion, 11:45 P.M.
CHRISTMAS DAY
Holy Communion, 8 A.M.
Matins and Holy Communion 10:30 A.M.
Evensong, 7:30 P.M.
Arthur Birchlager, Rector

ST. MATTHIAS CHURCH

CHRISTMAS EVE
Holy Communion, 11:30 P.M.
CHRISTMAS DAY
Holy Communion, 8 A.M.
Choral Communion, 11 A.M.
Evensong and Carol Service, 7:30 P.M.

King of Kings Is Theme at Truth Centre

The Victoria Truth Centre will present again next week Rev. E. V. Ingraham, lecturer and writer. The message at the morning service tomorrow will deal with the spiritual significance of the birth of Christ. "King of Kings" will be the subject. Mr. Farmer will sing "Star of Bethlehem" (Adam).

Rev. E. V. Ingraham

On Sunday evening, Mr. Ingraham will discuss the essentials involved in "Spiritual Growth." A musical programme will be offered. Special anthems with solos by Mrs. A. W. Stokes and George Petch will be rendered.

Mr. Ingraham's subject on Wednesday at 8 p.m. will be "Carnal and Spiritual Mind," and on Friday at 8 p.m., "Science of Growth."

EVENING SERVICE WILL BE CHORAL

In the Morning Rev. Norman J. Crees to Preach on "The Quest Of the Wise Men"

Rev. Norman J. Crees will speak at Fairfield United Church in the morning on "The Quest of the Wise Men" and to the children on "The Child in the Woods." The solo will be entitled "Rejoice Greatly, O Daughter of Zion" (Handel), and the choir will sing "The First Nowell" and "Christians, Awake, Salute the Happy Morn" (Maunder), with Miss Phyllis Clarke taking the solo part.

In the evening there will be a service of music which will include the following: Solo by Robert Husband, "The Birthday of a King," and by Miss Estelle Clark, "The Star of Bethlehem"; carols, "In the Bleak Midwinter," "While Shepherds Watched," "We Three Kings" and "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"; anthems, "And the Glory of the Lord" (Handel), "O Come, Redeemer of Mankind" (Marshant) with solo to be taken by George Warren, "Behold, I Bring You Good Tidings" (Goss), "Cherubim Song" (Bortniansky), "Rejoice in the Lord" (Hollins), "Here Is the Little Door" (Howells) and "Sing, O Heavens" (Gaul).

ST. BARNABAS' SERVICES

The Christmas services at St. Barnabas' Church will be December 24, Christmas Eve, midnight Mass, commencing at 11:45 p.m.; Christmas Day, 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Choral Eucharist and sermon; Evening Prayer said at 5 p.m. No service will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Christmas Day. Rev. Canon Smith will officiate at all services.

First United Church

Quadra Street and Balmoral Road
Minister
Rev. Hugh A. McLeod, M.A., B.D.
Assistant Minister
Rev. John E. Bell, B.A.
SUNDAY SERVICES
11 A.M.—REV. BRUCE G. GREY
Assistant Secretary, Home Mission Board, for United Churches of Canada
7:30 P.M.—REV. HUGH A. McLEOD
SUNDAY SCHOOL
9:45 A.M.—Intermediates and Seniors
11 A.M.—Primaries and Juniors

CENTENNIAL UNITED CHURCH

Gorge Road, Near Government Street
The Pastor, Rev. Andrew D. Reid, D.D., Will Give Christmas Messages
11 A.M.—"EMMANUEL"
7:30 P.M.—SUNRISE
Morning Soloist, J. Almond, of Vancouver
At 8 P.M. the Choir Will Give an Hour's Carol Service
Soloists: Mrs. S. Swetnam, Miss Gladys Parvon, Mrs. G. B. Cornelius, Mrs. P. Hall, Mrs. W. C. Williams, Mrs. J. Prisk, Frank Hollins and Sam Swetnam.

Fairfield United Church

Corner Moss St. and Fairfield Rd.
Rev. Norman J. Crees, B.D., S.T.M.
11 A.M.—THE QUEST OF THE WISE MEN
To Children—"The Child in the Woods"
7:30 P.M.—SONGS AROUND THE MANGER
(Service of Music)

Oak Bay United Church

CHRISTMAS SERVICES
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25
11 A.M.—Morning Worship
THE ANGEL'S SONG
7:30 P.M.—Evening Worship
FOLLOWING STARS
Minister, Rev. F. R. G. Dredge, M.A.

METROPOLITAN UNITED CHURCH

Corner Pandora Avenue and Quadra Street
Pastor: Rev. A. E. Whitehouse, B.A., B.D.
REV. A. E. WHITEHOUSE Will Preach at Both Services, 11 A.M. and 7:30 P.M.
Special Christmas Music Will Be Rendered by Metropolitan Choir at Both Services
The Public Is Cordially Invited

CRYSTAL GARDEN AUDITORIUM—7:30
REV. S. R. ORR
CHRISTMAS for ISRAEL
Its UNMISTAKEABLE SIGNS, SONGS and WONDERS
THEIR PROPHETIC REFERENCE TO BRITAIN AND THE FUTURE

NO ROOM TO BE MORNING TOPIC

First Baptist Pastor Speaks At Night on "Victoria Without Christmas"

Christmas music under the direction of Cyril C. Warren will feature services at First Baptist Church tomorrow, with the minister, Rev. G. A. Reynolds, delivering short addresses at each gathering. In the morning Mr. Reynolds will speak on "No Room," and in the evening his subject will be "Victoria Without a Christmas."

The musical programme for the day is as follows: Morning—Organ prelude, (a) "Christmas Morn" (Cowen), (b) "Fantasy on Two Christmas Carols" (West). Solo, "O Babe Divine" (Hamblen), Mrs. A. W. Stokes. Anthem, "Christians, Awake" (Maunder), Mrs. A. Coles, Stanley Honeychurch and choir. Anthem, "See Amid the Winter's Snow" (West). Organ offertory, "Prayer and Cradle Song" (Guilmant). Organ postlude, Allegro Pomposo (West).

Evening—Short organ recital by C. C. Warren at 7:15: (a) "Pastoral Symphony" (Handel's "Messiah"), (b) "Christmas March" (Merkel), (c) "Chorus of Angels" (Scotson Clark). Solo, "The Birthday of a King" (Neidlinger), Stanley Honeychurch. Anthem, "There Were Shepherds" (Vincent), Mrs. H. Whittaker and choir. Anthem, "Cherubim Song" (Bortniansky). Selections from Handel's "Messiah": Chorus, "And the Glory of the Lord"; solo, "O Thou That Tellest Good Tidings to Zion," Mrs. H. Jackson; solo, "He Shall Feed His Flock Like a Shepherd," Miss Hannah Barr; solo, "Come Unto Him," Mrs. R. M. McIntosh; "Hallelujah Chorus." Organ offertory, "Chorus of Shepherds" (Lemmens), and postlude, "Fantasia" (Healey Willans).

CHOIR WILL GIVE SPECIAL RECITAL

Rev. Dr. Andrew Reid Preaches Twice—Hour of Music to Follow Centennial Evening Service

At Centennial United Church tomorrow, special Christmas messages will be given by the Pastor Rev. Dr. Andrew D. Reid. At 11 a.m., "Emmanuel" will be the topic, and at 7:30 p.m., "Sunrise."

The first part of the evening service will finish at 8 o'clock, when the choir will give an hour's carol service of ancient and modern carols as follows:

"Puer Nobis" (Geoffrey Shaw); "Christmas Epiphany" (Traditional 1822); "O Holy Night" (Adam-Buck), with solo obbligato by Mrs. G. B. Cornelius; solo, "O Little Town of Bethlehem" (Prindle Scott, S. Swetnam); carols, "Jesu, Hail! O God Most Holy" (Stainer), male voices; "In the Bleak Mid-Winter" (Gustav Holst), solo part by Miss Gladys M. Parvon; "Gentle Mary Laid Her Child" (Ernest MacMillan); "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" (Sullivan), with solo obbligato by Mrs. S. Swetnam; solo, "Nazareth" (Gounod), Frank Hollins; carols, "How Beautiful Upon the Mountains" (Spinney), with solo part by Mrs. P. Hall; "Infant Holy" (Lezy-Reed); "The Shepherds' Quest" (traditional), anthem, "Sweetly Through the Night" (Shelley), with solo parts by Mrs. W. C. Williams and Mrs. J. Prisk.

At the morning service the anthem will be "Christians Awake" (Maunder), and Joseph Almond, Vancouver, will sing a solo, "The Birthday of a King" (Neidlinger).

CHRISTMAS FOR ISRAEL SUBJECT

Rev. S. R. Orr Will Lecture on Sunday Night in Crystal Garden Auditorium

Rev. S. R. Orr will lecture as usual in the Crystal Garden auditorium on Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The soloist for the occasion is Miss Kathleen Lovell. By special arrangement, Christmas bells, carols, and songs will be amplified electrically. Community singing of the Christmas music will begin under Miss Ethel James' direction at 7:15.

The subject of Mr. Orr's lecture is "Christmas for Israel; Its Unmistakeable Signs, Songs and Wonders," with their prophetic bearing on the British Empire and the future.

The special Christmas offering usually given at this season will be devoted to the purchase of equipment to make the meetings more instructive and interesting. Doors open at 6:15 o'clock.

HOLY COMMUNION AT CHURCH OF OUR LORD

Being Christmas Day, there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion tomorrow at both the morning and evening services at the Church of Our Lord. The preacher at the morning service will be Rev. G. Herbert Scarrett, B.A., and in the evening, Rev. T. H. Laundy.

Birth of Christ To Be Subject at Grace Lutheran

Christmas Day services at Grace Lutheran Church will begin with a candle-light Matin service at 7 a.m. The pastor, Rev. Edwin Bracher, will deliver a Christmas message, and the choir will sing, "Sleep, Holy Babe." At 11 o'clock the morning service of worship will be held, the pastor's sermon being "Christ, the Saviour, Is Born." As a special number the choir will sing, "Who Is He in Yonder Stall?"

The children of the Sunday school will hold their annual Christmas service at 7:45 p.m. on Sunday. There will be recitations and exercises, and a Scriptural pageant, "Advent," weaving together the prophetic and New Testament Scriptures of the Nativity. Christmas carols will be sung at all services.

FOLLOWING STARS PASTOR'S THEME

Special Music Is Arranged for Both Services at Oak Bay United Church

Christmas Day will be observed in Oak Bay United Church on Sunday with appropriate sermons being preached by the minister, Rev. F. R. G. Dredge. In the morning his topic will be "The Angels' Song," and in the evening he will speak on "Following Stars."

There will be a baptismal service at the morning service.

The choir will sing carols at both services, and also the male quartette. The solo "Nazareth" will be sung at the morning service.

AT ST. MATTHIAS

Holy Communion will be celebrated at 11:30 p.m. on Christmas Eve. On Christmas Day there will be a celebration at 8 a.m. and a choral celebration at 11 a.m., at which service the priest-in-charge will give a brief address entitled "The King's Gift." The address will climax the Advent addresses on "The King's Things." Shortened Evensong, brief address and carol service at 7:30 p.m. Eric Edwards will be at the organ, the choir will render suitable music, and the church will be decorated appropriately to the festival. The parents are especially requested to bring the children to the services of the day.

Church Services Not Listed Elsewhere

St. Mark's, Cloverdale—Rev. O. L. Jull. Holy Communion, 8 and 11 a.m. At 7 p.m. the vicar will hold a service suitable for a Christmas Sunday evening.

St. Alban's—Rev. F. Comley. Christmas Eve, Holy Communion, 11:30. Christmas Day, Holy Communion, 8 a.m. Evensong, 7 p.m. No Sunday school, but children are asked to attend services with their parents. Open collection at all services for Widows and Orphans' Fund.

St. Columba, Strawberry Vale—Morning service with Holy Communion, 11 o'clock. Rev. Montague Bruce. 7:30 p.m., Carol service; Rev. S. J. Wickens. There will be no Sunday school on Christmas Day.

St. Michael's, Royal Oak—Rev. S. J. Wickens. Holy Communion, 8 a.m. Matins and sermon, 11 a.m.

St. Luke's, Cedar Hill—Rev. Canon Ryall. Christmas Day services: 8 a.m., Holy Communion. 11 a.m., Morning Prayer and Holy Communion with sermon by Rt. Rev. P. J. Rowe, Bishop of Alaska. 7 p.m., Special carol service, address by rector.

St. Martin's-in-the-Fields — Rev. Canon Stocken. 8 a.m., Holy Communion. 10 a.m., Children. 11 a.m., Sermon and Holy Communion.

St. Matthew's, Langford—Rev. R. E. M. Yerburgh. Christmas Eve, carol service, 7:30. Christmas Day, Holy Communion, 8 a.m. Matins and Holy Communion, 11 a.m.

St. John's, Colwood—Rev. R. E. M. Yerburgh. Matins and Holy Communion, 9:30 a.m. Evensong (said), 5 p.m.

St. Mary's Metchosin—Rev. H. M. Bolton. Morning Prayer and Holy Communion, 11 a.m.

Holy Trinity, Sooke—Rev. H. M. Bolton. Holy Communion, 9 a.m. East Sooke, Glenairly. Holy Communion, 7 a.m.

Cadboro Bay Anglican Mission—Rev. Robert Connell. Morning service and Holy Communion, 10 a.m.

Wilkinson Road United—Rev. William Allan. Public worship, 11:15 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Garden City United — Rev. William Allan. Afternoon service, 3:15 p.m.

Esquimalt United Naval and Military Church—Rev. James Hood. 10:30 a.m.

James Bay United — Rev. C. D. Clarke, 7:30 p.m.

St. Aidan's United — Rev. T. G. Griffiths, 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Knox Presbyterian Church—Rev. J. Mackie Niven, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Esquimalt Corps, Salvation Army—Adjutant Mrs. Weir and Captain Winnifred Fitch, 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

St. Saviour's — Christmas Day, Holy Communion, 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. Rev. A. E. Balfour Bruce will preach.

REV. B. G. GRAY TO BE SPEAKER

Former Assistant of First United Church at Morning Service

REV. BRUCE GRAY

The preacher at the morning service tomorrow in First United Church will be Rev. Bruce G. Gray, of the Home Mission office of the United Church of Canada in Toronto.

A host of friends will welcome him to First Church again. Mr. Gray will deliver a Christmas message.

Rev. Hugh A. McLeod will preach at the evening service on the theme, "The Return of the Wise Men." This service will emphasize the ministry of Christmas praise and will be preceded by a half hour of carol singing by the quartette, commencing at 7 o'clock.

The music of the day follows: Morning, solo, "The Child Jesus" (Petro Von), Mrs. W. H. Wilson; anthem, "There Were Shepherds" (Vincent). Evening, service of praise, 7 to 7:30 o'clock, Christmas carols. 7:30 o'clock, anthem, "Cherubim Song" (Bortniansky), ladies' trio, "How Far Is It to Bethlehem" (Shaw), Mrs. W. H. Wilson, Mrs. L. McCall, Miss E. Robinson; anthem, "O Sing to God" (Gounod), soloist, Mrs. W. H. Wilson; anthem, "O Holy Night" (Adams), soloist, Neil Perry; anthem, "While Shepherds Watched" (Martin), soloist, Mrs. C. Goodwin.

TO EXAMINE THE VALUE OF EFFORT

Emmanuel Minister Speaks in the Morning on "The Redeemer The World Needs"

Special services of adoration and praise will be held at the Emmanuel Baptist Church this Christmas Day. In the morning the pastor, Dr. Andrew S. Imrie, B.A., B.Th., will preach on the subject, "The Redeemer the World Needs." The choir will sing the anthem, "Christians Awake," by Maunder, and Mrs. James Oakman, soprano, will sing "The Star of Bethlehem," by Stephen Adams.

"Is All Our Effort Worth While?" will be the topic of Dr. Imrie's evening sermon. Special music will be given by the choir under the leadership of W. H. Muncy, with John Richardson at the organ and Mrs. G. H. E. Green at the piano. The anthems will include "Behold, I Bring You Good Tidings," by Goss; "How Far Is It to Bethlehem?" by Shaw, and "Rejoice and Sing," by Rathbone. Carols will include "The Holly Bough" and "The Three Wise Men"; carol quartettes, "What Child Is This?" "A Child This Day Is Born," and "In David's City," Fred H. Parfitt, baritone, Duncan, guest soloist, will sing "Nazareth," by Gounod.

Special services for the week will include the midweek service for prayer and testimony on Wednesday night at 8 o'clock, the Sunday school Christmas entertainment on Thursday, and "Watch Night" service on Saturday evening at 11 o'clock.

THE BIBLE AND CURRENT EVENTS

E. E. Richards on Wednesday to Discuss Happenings in Relation To Biblical Facts

On Wednesday next, E. E. Richards will lecture on "Bible Facts and World Events" in the Campbell Building, at 8 o'clock.

Mr. Richards will discuss some Biblical facts which he believes govern the questions and events of today, as "The New Covenant with whom made?" "Who are the inheritors of the promises?" "Will there be a world financial collapse?" "The world armament madness." "£20,000,000 for dens and caves in the earth." "The Second Advent and the restitution of all things."

ALEXIS MISSION

The Spiritual M[illegible] of Alexis 1042 Balmoral [illegible] will not hold any service on Christmas Day.

Midnight Eucharist Will Be Celebrated At the Cathedral

TONIGHT, beginning at 11:30 o'clock, there will be the usual Christmas Midnight Eucharist in Christ Church Cathedral, the Bishop being the celebrant.

Christmas Day there will be celebrations of the Holy Communion at 7, 8 and 9:30 a.m., also at 11 a.m. (choral), when the Bishop will be the celebrant and the Dean will preach.

Evensong will be sung as usual at 7:30 p.m., when the Precentor will be the preacher.

CHRISTMAS IN FESTAL SONG

Metropolitan Will Have Choral Features All Day—Pastor Speaks Twice

The Christmas festival will be observed in Metropolitan United Church tomorrow in two services of worship and praise. Rev. A. E. Whitehouse will preach both morning and evening, and the Metropolitan choir, under the leadership of Frank Tupman, will render special music.

The music for the morning service will be: Anthem, "Lo, God, Our God, Has Come" (Haynes), with the solo part by Miss Dorothy Parsons; quartette, carol, "O Little Christ-Child Sweet," Misses Maurine and Gwen Whitehouse, Frank Tupman and Austin Curtis; anthem, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" (Stainer), with the incidental solo by Percy Edmunds.

For the evening service the music will be: Anthem, "And the Glory of the Lord" (Handel); solo, "The Angel's Song" (Stickles), Mrs. T. H. Johns; carols, "Dear Nightingale Awake," "The Christ-Child Smiles," "Come In, Dear Angels" (Whitehead), and "Hallelujah Chorus" (Handel).

CALVARY LINKED TO BETHLEHEM IN STORY AND SONG

"A Christmas Service in Story and Song" will be a special feature by the choir at the Pentecostal Tabernacle, 842 North Park Street, Sunday at 7:30 p.m., under the direction of William Hunt. The services will be largely composed of religious musical selections. The Hawaiian Quintette, with Charlton Porter playing the Tutmarc audiovox, the only one in Victoria, will play "Silent Night" and other numbers. The orchestra, under the direction of Robert Porter, will also take part.

In the morning at 11, the message will be "The Relation of Bethlehem to Calvary." The young people will be in charge of the service at the Pentecostal Mission at the corner of Douglas Street and Regina Avenue at 3 p.m. The Sunday school Christmas service will be held on Tuesday night at 8 p.m.

CHRIST'S LOVE, THEN AND NOW, IS THEME

At First Spiritualist Church, Sons of England Hall, on Sunday at 7:30 p.m. Rev. Walter L. Holder will take for his subject "Christ Love, How Practical Then and Now." The soloist is Mrs. E. Mayell, also other special Christmas music. Messages at close of service.

WHITE GIFT SERVICE AT ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

Rev. James Hyde, minister of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Victoria West, will preach tomorrow morning on "The World of Christ's Day and the Reception He Received at His Birth."

In the evening there will be the annual white gift service at 7 o'clock and will be addressed by R. M. Grubb. The children of the Sunday school will sing Christmas carols. Parents are cordially invited. The choir will sing selected numbers morning and evening.

CHURCH NOTICES

LIBERAL CATHOLIC

Christmas services at the Church of St. George: Liberal Catholic. Midnight Eucharist, Christmas Eve, commencing at 11:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist, Christmas morning, at 11 o'clock. Church address, 1011 Government Street.

CHRISTADELPHIAN

Christadelphian, Shrine Temple, View Street. Sunday 11 o'clock, public address, 7:30 p.m.

Christadelphian, Orange Hall, Courtney Street. Morning 11. Evening 7:30, subject, "The Secrets of the Lord." All welcome.

PRESBYTERIAN

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, corner Henry and Mary Streets. Minister, Rev. James Hyde. Sunday school, 9:45 a.m. Public worship, 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

SPIRITUALIST

Mission of Alexis, 1042 Balmoral Road. Christmas Day, no service. Thursday, December 29, 7:30, Christmas tree.

First Spiritualist Church, 1216 Broad Street. Morning, 11 a.m. Trance address. 7:30, Rev. Walter Holder [illegible]

THEOSOPHY

[illegible] Building, Sept. Kings. Public meeting with [illegible] Lions.

Christian Science to Be Theme

"Christian Science" will be the subject of the lesson-sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday. The golden text is: "The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined" (Isaiah ix, 2).

Among the citations which comprise the lesson-sermon is the following from the Bible: "And, behold, there came a leper and worshipped Him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean. And Jesus put forth His hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed" (Matthew viii, 2, 3).

The lesson-sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science text book, "Science and Health With Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "Today there is hardly a city, village, or hamlet in which are not to be found living witnesses and monuments to the virtue and power of Truth, as applied through this Christian system of healing disease."

EARLY SERVICE FOR THE YOUNG

St. Mary's Holds Sunday School Carol Service at 10:15 A.M. On Christmas Day

The services at St. Mary's Church, Oak Bay, during the Christmas season will be as follows: On Sunday there will be celebration of Holy Communion at 6:45, 8 and 9:30 a.m., also at 12 noon. Matins and sermon by the rector at 11 a.m.

Commencing at 3:45 in the afternoon, there will be a short carol service, which will take the place of the evening service.

Also at 10:15 in the morning there will be a thirty-minute carol service in St. Mary's Hall for all members of the Sunday school and their friends.

Holy Communion will be celebrated on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday at 10:30 a.m., and on Wednesday at 8 a.m.

LINKS CHRISTMAS TO LOCAL PEOPLE

In the Morning Dr. Rowell Will Relate Bethlehem to Earth's Multitudes

"Christmas, and the People in Our Town," will be the seasonal message in the Central Baptist Church on Lord's Day evening, when the pastor, Dr. J. B. Rowell, will preach. Singing of the old-time carols will mark this service.

At the Christmas morning service the message will be "The Babe of Bethlehem and Earth's Multitudes—Power and Practice in the Heavenly Life on Earth."

ST. PAUL'S NAVAL AND GARRISON CHURCH, ESQUIMALT

The midnight celebration of Holy Communion will begin at 11:45 p.m. and be fully choral. Services on Christmas Day will be, Holy Communion at 8 a.m., Matins followed by Holy Communion at 10:30 a.m. and Evensong at 7:30 p.m. The preacher will be Rev. Arthur Birchlager, rector.

St Andrew's Presbyterian Church

Dunsmuir Street at Broughton
Rev. J. L. W. McLean, M.A., Minister
11 A.M.—"UNTO YOU—THIS DAY"
7:30 P.M.—"WHEN BIRTHDAYS HAVE NO MEANING"
Special Christmas Music
Sunday School, 9:45 A.M.
WE WELCOME VISITORS

EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Gladstone Avenue at Fernwood
Services—11 A.M. and 7:30 P.M.
Sunday School—9:45 A.M.
Pastor, Rev. Dr. A. S. Imrie

First Baptist Church

Quadra and Mason Streets
Rev. G. A. Reynolds, Minister
Special Christmas Musical Services at 11 A.M. and 7:30 P.M.
Organ Recital at 7:15
C. C. Warren, L.R.S.M., A.T.C.M.
Organist and Choir Director

CENTRAL BAPTIST

"We Preach Christ Crucified, Risen and Coming Again"
Pastor, J. B. Rowell, Th.D.
CHRIST'S ADVENT SERVICES
11 A.M.—"THE BABE OF BETHLEHEM AND EARTH'S MULTITUDES"
7:30 P.M.—"CHRISTMAS AND THE PEOPLE IN OUR TOWN"
Christmas Carols. Cordial Welcome

CAROLS TO BE SUNG AT NIGHT

Morning Sermon at St. John's To Be Preached by Rev. G. R. V. Bolster

The services at St. John's Church for Christmas Day will consist of Holy Communion at 7 a.m., Holy Communion at 8 a.m., Morning Prayer and Holy Communion at 11 a.m., and Festal Evensong and carol service at 7:30 p.m.

There will be no regular session of the Sunday school, but all children are asked to attend the 11 o'clock service, when the sermon will be delivered by Rev. G. R. V. Bolster. The music at this service will include organ prelude, "Pastoral" from Handel's "Messiah," "Venite" (Crotch), "Psalter" (Monk), "Te Deum" (Dyke's, in F), "Benedictus" (Langdon), "Kyrie" (Mendelssohn), "Gloria" (Ancient Chant) and "Sanctus" (Burnett).

In the evening at 7:10 o'clock, the organ prelude will consist of "Pastoral" (Couperin), "Noel" (Guilmant), "Noel" (Dubois). The "Magnificat" will be sung to the well-known setting by Smart, and the "Nunc Dimittis" to the equally popular setting by Felton. The carol service will include the congregational singing of such well-known carols as "The First Noel," "When Christ Was Born of Mary Free," "Hark, What Mean Those Holy Voices?" "Angels From the Realms of Glory," "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing," "See, Amid the Winter Snow" and "Holy Night." The choir will sing "Break Forth, O Beauteous Light" (Bach) and "The Crimson Sun" (Traditional), and solos will be sung by Mrs. Sherratt and Mrs. Noel. Appropriate organ numbers will be given by G. Jennings Burnett, including "Jesu, Joy of Men's Desire" (Bach), "Judean Lullaby" (Traditional) and "The Infant Jesus" (Pietro Von), the organ postlude being "Chorale" (Bach).

There will be Holy Communion on Wednesday (Holy Innocents) at 10:30 a.m.

A TRYSTING PLACE, BETHLEHEM, TO BE THE CITADEL THEME

Special Christmas services will be held all day tomorrow at the Salvation Army Citadel, Broad Street. Mrs. Adjutant Watt will speak at the morning meeting on "A Christmas Meditation" and the adjutant in the evening on "The Trysting Place—Bethlehem." A carol service will be held in the afternoon, including congregational singing and selections of Christmas music and song from the band and songster brigade. From 9:30 to 10 p.m. the Citadel Songsters will give a programme over the air from the local station.

Grace Lutheran Church

Blanshard Street at Queen's Avenue
CHRISTMAS DAY
7 A.M.—Candlelight Service
11 A.M.—Morning Worship
7:45 P.M.—Children's Service
ALL ARE WELCOME
Pastor, Rev. Edwin Bracher

Church of Our Lord Free Church of England

11 A.M.—Christmas Morning Communion. Preacher REV. G. H. St.BARRETT, B.A.
7:30 P.M.—Short Evening Prayer and Celebration of the Holy Communion. Preacher: REV. T. H. LAUNDY

Victoria Truth Centre

796½ Fort Street
REV. E. V. INGRAHAM, Speaker
MRS. C. C. WARN, Musical Director
Sunday—11 A.M., "King of Kings"
Sunday—7:30 P.M., "Spiritual Growth"
Sunday—11 A.M., Sunday School
Tuesday—8 P.M., Young People's Society
Wednesday—8 P.M., "Carnal and Spiritual Mind"
Friday—8 P.M., "Science of Success"

First Church of Christ, Scientist

Chambers St. and Pandora Ave.
This Church is a Branch of The Mother Church
The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts
Sunday Services 11 A.M., 7:30 P.M.
Subject
"CHRISTIAN SCIENCE"
Sunday School, 9:45 and 11 A.M.
Testimonial Meeting, Wednesday 8 P.M.
Reading-Room and Lending Library 512 Hayward Building
A Devotional Programme is Broadcast 5:30 P.M. Sundays, Over CPCT. Under the Direction of Christian Science Committee on Publication for B.C.
All Are Welcome

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 8 P.M., CAMPBELL BUILDING
Lecture by E. E. RICHARDS
"BIBLE FACTS AND WORLD EVENTS"
"£20,000,000 for Dens and Caves in the Earth"
"The Second Advent and Restitution of All Things"
British Israel Bookroom, 640 Fort Street (First Floor Up)

PENTECOSTAL TABERNACLE

North Park Street — Pastor, F. W. Robinson
9:45 A.M.—Sunday School
11 A.M.—"THE RELATION OF BETHLEHEM TO CALVARY"
7:30 P.M.—SPECIAL MUSICAL SERVICE
Special Music by Choir and Orchestra

MARINE and TRANSPORTATION

EVEN BREAK IS DESIRED

Railroads Look to U.S. Government for Relief and Suggest Measures

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 (CP). — President Roosevelt's special committee of railroad management and labor officials told him today that what United States carriers most needed was an even break from the Government in their struggle with other forms of transportation.

Government favoritism for their competitors has cut deeply into revenues that railroads must have for financial recovery, the committee reported.

It proposed that the American Government remedy the situation by centralizing under the Interstate Commerce Commission and a proposed new agency the regulation of all forms of transportation

COMMISSION'S POWERS

Under the committee's proposal the Interstate Commerce Commission would be given power to fix rates, under uniform rules, for all forms of transportation. The commission would also regulate services, valuation and accounting. An independent transportation board would have charge of most other regulations, including decisions as to what firms could do business and what securities they could issue.

At present the railroads, waterways, trucks, buses and airplanes are regulated by various Government agencies.

The committee proposed that a separate Federal court be created to handle all matters of financial reorganizations, relieving the I.C.C. of this responsibility. It also suggested the I.C.C. turn over to the railroads themselves the problem of working out consolidations, subject to approval of the proposed new transportation board.

With respect to more immediate forms of relief, the committee recommended that restrictions on loans to the roads by the Government's Reconstruction Finance Corporation be lifted; that the so-called long and short haul rate clause be repealed; that reduced freight rates for the Government be eliminated; and that the Government get out of the barge line business.

NOT INDICATED

There was no immediate indication as to how much of this programme might win Congressional approval, or how much of it Mr. Roosevelt might ask the United States Congress to tackle at its next session.

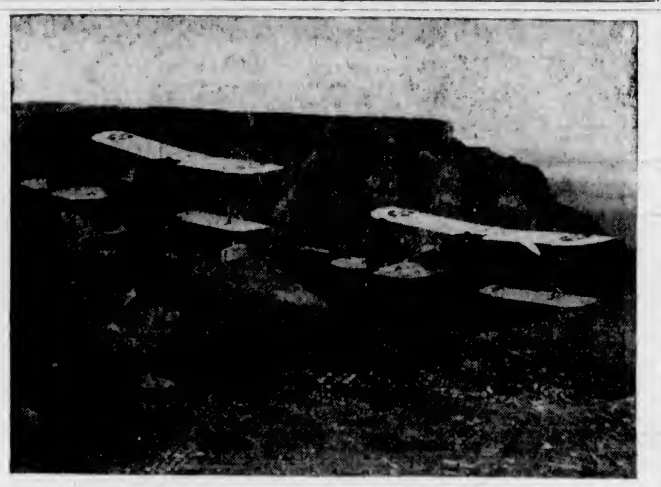
John J. Pelley, president of the Association of American Railroads, commented that the report appeared to be "the most comprehensive and constructive that has ever been made as to the transportation problem and proposals for its solution."

Alexander F. Whitney, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, declared the document was "just another smoke screen to tickle the chin of the public, give the railroads a little relief and possibly to take something from the public as well as employees."

WATCH THE DIET

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 (CP) — The United States Agriculture Department suggested today the cause for many automobile accidents may be found in unbalanced diets of drivers. It has found that persons living on a diet deficient in vitamin "A" are subject to night blindness —the inability to see in dim light— and to a narrowed field of vision.

U.S. Cruiser Visits South Africa



The U.S.A. Cruiser Boise Recently Paid a Courtesy Call to Capetown, South Africa, the First Time in Fifteen Years That a United States Warship Had Been to the Cape. This Picture Shows Two Seaplanes of the Cruiser Flying in Formation over Capetown.

MAIL AND SHIPS

WEATHER REPORT

ESTEVAN—Light rain, west, light, 30.27, 48, moderate swell.
LENNARD ISLAND—Overcast, southwest, light, 30.25, moderate swell.
PACHENA—Overcast, west, light, 30.25, 48, moderate swell.
CARMANAH—Fog, west, light, 30.35, moderate swell.
CAPE BEALE—Overcast, west, light, 30.30, moderate swell.

WIRELESS REPORT

VENICE MARU—Bound Yokohama, passed Swiftsure Light at 5 o'clock.
ALBERTOLITE—Bound San Pedro, 875 miles from San Pedro at 8 p.m.
MOORBY—Bound Vancouver, due Race Rocks at midnight.

SHIPPING CALENDAR

TO ARRIVE

DINTELDYK — Rotterdam and London, December 23.
PACIFIC RELIANCE—United Kingdom, December 27.
EMPRESS OF CANADA — Philippines, China, Japan, Hawaii, December 28.
HIKAWA MARU (Vancouver) — Japan, December 30.

TO DEPART

EMPRESS OF ASIA — Japan, China, Philippines, December 24.

WHEN MAILS CLOSE

BRITISH MAILS

4 p.m., December 15, Hansa via New York air mail closes 1:10 p.m., December 18. 1:10 p.m., December 19, Montrose: air mail closes 1:10 p.m., December 21. 4 p.m., December 20, Normandie via New York, air mail closes 1:10 p.m., December 24. 1:10 p.m., December 22, Laconia, air mail closes 1:10 p.m., December 24. 4 p.m., December 22, Deutschland via New York, air mail closes 1:10 p.m., December 26. 1:10 p.m., December 26, Monclare: air mail closes 1:10 p.m., December 28.

ATLIN AND YUKON

1:10 p.m., December 27, January 10, via Vancouver; 4 p.m., December 23, January 7, via Seattle.

AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND

4 p.m., December 21, Niagara; 11:15 p.m., December 31, Mariposa via San Francisco.

CHINA AND JAPAN

4 p.m., December 24, Empress of Asia.

HONOLULU MAILS

11:15 p.m., December 21, 25, 27, 31; January 1, 2, 3, 7, 10 via San Francisco; 4 p.m., December 21, Niagara; 4 p.m., January 7, Empress of Canada.

JAMAICA

1:10 p.m., December 19, 23, 26.

WEST INDIES

1:10 p.m., December 19, 24.

QUEEN CHARLOTTE ISLANDS

1:10 p.m., December 23, via Vancouver. 1:10 p.m., December 28, via Prince Rupert.

COASTING CRAFT

VICTORIA-VANCOUVER — Ss. Princess Kathleen or Ss. Princess Marguerite will leave Victoria for Vancouver daily at 1:55 p.m.; Ss. Princess Kathleen or Ss. Princess Marguerite will arrive at Victoria daily from Vancouver at 3:10 p.m.; Ss. Princess Joan or Ss. Princess Elizabeth will leave Victoria daily for Vancouver at 12 midnight; Ss. Princess Joan or Ss. Princess Elizabeth will arrive at Victoria from Vancouver daily at 7 a.m.
VICTORIA-SEATTLE—Ss. Princess Kathleen or Ss. Princess Marguerite will leave Victoria for Seattle daily at 4:30 p.m.; Ss. Princess Kathleen or Ss. Princess Marguerite will arrive at Victoria daily from Seattle at 1:15 p.m.; Ss. Iroquois will leave Victoria daily for Seattle at 9:15 a.m.; Ss. Iroquois will arrive at Victoria from Seattle daily at 8:35 a.m.
VICTORIA-PORT ANGELES — Ss. Iroquois will leave Victoria daily for Port Angeles at 8:15 a.m.; Ss. Iroquois will arrive at Victoria daily from Port Angeles at 8:35 a.m.
SALTSPRING ISLAND — Ms. Cy Peck leaves Swartz Bay daily except Wednesday for Fulford Harbor at 9:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.; Ms. Cy Peck leaves Fulford Harbor daily except Wednesday for Swartz Bay at 8:15 a.m. and 4 p.m.
VICTORIA-GULF ISLANDS-VANCOUVER —Ss. Princess Mary will leave Victoria at 10:30 a.m., Tuesdays, for Vancouver via Gulf Islands. Ss. Princess Mary will arrive at Victoria via Gulf Islands at 8:30 p.m. Mondays.
WEST COAST—Ss. Princess Maquinna leaves Victoria on the 1st, 11th and 21st of every month for Port Alice and way ports on the West Coast of Vancouver Island.
NANAIMO - VANCOUVER — Ss. Princess Elaine will leave Nanaimo daily, except Saturday and Sunday, for Vancouver, at 7:45 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.; Ss. Princess Elaine will arrive at Nanaimo, from Vancouver, at 1:15 p.m. and 8:15 p.m.; Ss. Princess Elaine will leave Nanaimo, for Vancouver, on Saturday only, at 7:45 a.m., 3:30 p.m. and 8:15 p.m.; Ss. Princess Elaine will arrive at Nanaimo, from Vancouver, on Saturday only, at 1:15 p.m. and 8:15 p.m.; Ss. Princess Elaine will leave Nanaimo, for Vancouver, on Sunday only, at 5:45 p.m.; Ss. princess Elaine will arrive at Nanaimo, from Vancouver, on Sunday only, at 1:15 p.m. and 11:15 p.m.

Claims Likeness Cashed Cheque

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP).—Dick Antonio, ship's baker, found guilty last week of cashing a forged cheque, was given a chance by Judge J. N. Ellis in County Court today to produce the man he says is his "double" and who is now in jail. The judge remanded Antonio to January 12 for sentence when he appeared in County Court, and gave the convicted man's counsel an order for production of the other man as a defence witness.

NEARLY FORTY YEARS' SERVICE

District Freight Agent of C.P.R. at Portland, Ore., Has Retired

Two railroaders well-known in British Columbia, where each served earlier in his career, were involved in changes effective December 1, when O. H. Becker retired from the post of district freight agent at Portland, Oregon, to be succeeded by A. E. Walker, formerly traveling freight agent at Seattle, Canadian Pacific Railway.

The changes were announced by A. T. McKean, general freight agent, Vancouver.

Mr. Becker closed a career which extended nearly forty years. Born in Ontario, in Norfolk County, he first worked for the Michigan Central at St. Thomas, Ont., and came to the Canadian Pacific as telegraph operator at West Fort William. He came to the Columbia and Western branch when it was under construction from West Robson to Midway in the West Kootenay in 1899, and was telegraph operator at Eholt, B.C., until July, 1901, when he became contracting freight agent at Nelson.

WAS AT TACOMA

He came to Vancouver early in 1906 and later in the same year went to Seattle as contracting freight agent, and a few months later became general agent, freight department, at Tacoma, where he remained until July, 1914, when he was promoted to district freight agent, Portland, the post he held until his recent retirement.

His successor, A. E. Walker, joined the Canadian Pacific at Winnipeg in March, 1907, and went to Nelson in 1910. He was appointed traveling freight agent in San Francisco in May, 1911, and covered the Northern California territory until April 30, 1918, when he was transferred to Regina and Moose Jaw. He was appointed district freight agent at Tacoma in 1929, and in 1932, when the Tacoma office was consolidated with the Seattle office, he went to Seattle as traveling freight agent.

POPULAR WITH BUSINESSMEN

Speedy Service of Trans-Canada Air Express Is Well Patronized

MONTREAL, Dec. 23.—For the first time in Canadian history, Santa Claus is being aided by trans-continental air express this year, and, according to executives of the Canadian National Express, he is taking advantage of the speedier service.

The volume of this traffic, carried between Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, North Bay, Winnipeg, Regina, Lethbridge and Vancouver, and between Lethbridge and Edmonton, by Trans-Canada planes, and north from Regina to Saskatoon, Prince Albert and North Battleford by the Prairie Airways, has been increasing steadily since the service was inaugurated and Christmas has greatly augmented it.

Leaving Montreal in the morning, the T.C.A. planes reach Winnipeg the same evening, connecting with others which depart at night and arrive at the Pacific Coast the following morning. Jewelry and clothing make up the bulk of the shipments, the expressmen say. While most of them are sent by business houses, many individuals are beginning to realize the value of air express for last-minute gifts.

A political writer informs us that it isn't Liberalism, Conservatism or Socialism that's crippling this country. Then it must be rheumatism.

VANCOUVER SHIPPING

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP).—The Nippon Yusen Kaisha motorship Heian Maru, sailed today for Japan with 145 passengers in all classes. The largest percentage were Japanese.

Sixty-five passengers boarded the ship here, many of whom were Japanese fishermen returning home during the slack fishing season. They will be back in the Spring when activity begins again.

Canadian National steamship Prince John will sail Friday for the North. She will be near the Queen Charlotte Islands for Christmas.

Between 250 and 300 sailors are expected to attend the annual Christmas dinner in Hotel Georgia by the British Sailors' Society, Thursday.

SHIP AGROUND IN NO DANGER

Fern, Bound From Seward For Unalaska, Ashore Near False Pass

UNALASKA, Alaska, Dec. 23 (AP). —The motorship Fern, carrying Christmas mail and foodstuffs for this Aleutian Peninsula settlement, went aground yesterday near False Pass, according to word relayed here by radio early today.

The radio message said the mail and passengers were removed safely by the P. A. Harris Company cannery boat and taken to False Pass.

The ship, which plies between Seward on the mainland and Aleutian Peninsula points, is believed in no immediate danger. Its master is Captain Pete Wold.

LUMBER VESSEL INCAPACITATED

Shifting of Deckload on Myrtlebank in Willamette Delays Passage

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 23 (AP).—Listing seriously to the starboard when a deckload of lumber shifted the British motorship Myrtlebank was incapacitated in the Willamette River, near the Hawthorne Bridge, early today.

Two tugs and the harbor patrol boat stood by and the Columbia River Pilots' Association ordered two large towboats to offer assistance. The freighter's crew began righting the cargo and the charterers said there was no cause for alarm.

The ship was seaward bound with 4,500,000 board feet of lumber for the United Kingdom. It was anchored at a rakish angle in the river alongside the battleship Oregon, retired fighting craft of the Spanish-American War.

RADIO LICENCES SHOW INCREASE

More Receiving Permits Issued for 1938-39 Than for Whole Previous Fiscal Year

Total radio receiving licences issued by the Radio Division of the Department of Transport up to November 30 of the current fiscal year (1938-39) numbered 1,122,230, according to a statement made public here yesterday by W. J. Bowerman, acting division superintendent. The figures compared with a total of 1,094,207 licences in effect at the end of the 1937-38 fiscal year.

Ontario leads the provinces with a total of 463,338, as compared with 445,867 at the end of the 1937-38 period. British Columbia ranks in third place with 96,256 at the end of November, as against 100,251 at the close of the last year.

In cities, Montreal is well out in advance of its nearest competitor, Toronto. Montreal has 148,785 as against 150,544 in 1937-38. Third city in the Dominion is Vancouver with 47,112, compared with 49,550 last Spring, slightly ahead of Winnipeg with 45,553, close to the high mark of the preceding year, which was 45,944.

Licences issued in Victoria at the end of November totaled 11,673, slightly in advance of last year's figures, which were 10,493.

Issued to the blind free for 1938-39 were 3,766 licences, as compared with 3,155 in the previous fiscal year's total.

FREIGHT SHIPS TAKING LUMBER

Several Deep-Sea Carriers Will Be in Port Over Christmas Holidays

Four lumber vessels were alongside Ogden Point Piers yesterday morning. They were the Zannis L. Cambanis, Annellese, Essberger, Darlington Court and Hopecrown. The Zannis arrived at 7:30 a.m., and the Annellese at 8:30 a.m. The Hopecrown sailed last evening after completing loading cargo for South Africa. The Zannis, Annellese and Darlington Court are expected to remain over the Christmas holiday.

WHEAT VESSEL

The British ship Corabella, coming in from sea, is looked for here tomorrow to commence loading wheat cargo from the Ogden Point elevator; while the Ss. Este, a German carrier, is also expected on the same day.

DUE IN TODAY

From Rotterdam and London, the Holland-America Line Ms. Dintieldyk, Captain C. Van Beek, is due here about the noon-hour today, according to advices received by Adam P. Moffat & Partners, agents for the vessel here.

SAILING WEST

With a small passenger list, the Canadian Pacific Ss. Empress of Asia, Captain George Goold, R.N.R., commander, will sail for Manila via Japan and China ports this afternoon. Due at Ritchet Piers at 4 p.m., the liner is scheduled to clear for Yokohama at 5:30 p.m.

ENGINE TROUBLE CRIPPLES CRAFT

Lumber Schooner Daisy Matthews Anchored Off Point Cabrillo Waiting for Coast Guard

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23 (AP).—The lumber schooner Daisy Matthews, crippled by engine trouble but not in immediate danger, anchored today in rough water off Point Cabrillo to await aid from the coast guard, the Marine Exchange reported.

The exchange said it had been advised the schooner dropped anchor about one-half mile offshore, several hours after distress whistles had started coast guard craft to the rescue.

Point Cabrillo is about 125 miles north of here, and the coast guard dispatched a cutter and a surf boat, respectively, from Eureka and Arena Cove, nearest points to the vessel.

Marine registers listed the Daisy Matthews as a 943-ton vessel, 204 feet long, with a beam of forty-two feet. The Marine Exchange estimated a crew of twenty was aboard.

HEADS HAMILTON POLICE

HAMILTON, Ont., Dec. 23 (CP).—Inspector Thomas Albert Brown was named chief of Hamilton police today. Inspector Brown succeeds the late E. K. Goodman.

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FANCY SOCKS—Wool and wool and cotton mixture. Many shades and patterns. Sizes 10½ to 11½. A pair 35c
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December 26-27, Saturday Service
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KEATING-OLD WEST ROAD, CORDOVA BAY—
December 25, 26, 27, No service
GORGE-LAKE HILL-BURNSIDE-AGNES-RALPH—
Holiday service on December 25, 26, 27
GORDON HEAD - CADBORO BAY—Phone Depot for details.
JORDAN RIVER—December 25, No service
December 27, Lv. Jordan River 7:30 A.M. Lv. Victoria, 9:30 P.M.
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ENGLAND OPENS SERIES AGAINST S. AFRICA TODAY

Royals Will Field Reorganized Club For Fixture Here

New Westminster Announces Strong Line-Up for Inter-City Football League Match Against Victoria United on Monday Afternoon At the Royal Athletic Park

Westminster Royals, who have won the Dominion football championship more than any other team, but who have been just "another team" since winning the Canadian honors in 1936, have started on the way back this season, as Victoria fans will see on Monday when the visitors appear here in an Inter-City League match at the Athletic Park at 2:15. Local spectators will see a team that will remind them of the Royals of old, according to information from the Mainland.

The squad has been completely reorganized this season and expects to go places as the campaign progresses. Jack Morgan, of baseball and Rugby fame, is sponsoring the club and is the president. Dave Turner is the playing manager and holds down the inside left position.

ROYALS' LINE-UP

Data concerning the players follow.

In goal will be Fred Blewett or M. Houser. Blewett is the old Royals' goalie, and is very spectacular and safe. Houser is a real comer. Has played two seasons with Fraser Cafe in the Vancouver and District League, his team amalgamating with the Royals this year.

Their back defence, which consists of Walt Wheeler and Mel Manzer, is one of the strongest on the Mainland. They are both steady, and Manzer, in particular, is considered outstanding. Wheeler used to play halfback, but took up the right back position a year ago and plays a heady game.

The halfback line, consisting of Max Osovsky, Wilson Drake and Jimmy Gemmell, is playing great ball these days. Osovsky is one of the most improved players in Vancouver today. Wilson Drake, who has always been used as a wing half, has been developed this season for the centre-half slot, and he is certainly making a good job of it. Jimmy Gemmell, one of the brainiest soccer players ever to play in British Columbia, needs no introduction to Victoria fans.

Now comes the improved forward line. The outside right is none other than Tommy Musgrave, who is well known to baseball fans as a great pitcher. Tommy has lots of speed and great ball control—both in soccer and baseball—and is coming right along. He will take a lot of watching. His change of speed is deceiving and often leaves his opposing defence flat-footed. The inside right berth is capably filled by Graham White, former St. Andrews' player, who undoubtedly is one of the best play-makers in the province. With the fast Royals' forward line, Graham has got out of his habit of fooling around with the ball and is playing a great game.

The centre forward is also another find. Bill Gray, who has always been used by the Royals and St. Saviours as an inside forward, was tried out in the centre spot at the beginning of the season, and he is certainly making a name for himself. Bill is well built and packs a good shot with either foot. The inside left position belongs to no one else but the one and only Dave Turner. 'Tis true that Dave isn't as young as he used to be, but at that he isn't old. Dave has always been one of the most entertaining players ever to go onto a local soccer field, and he has lost none of his cunning and play-making ability.

Since created manager of the team, he has taken on a new lease in life and is playing a great game. Two weeks ago against St. Andrews he had the crowd cheering continually over his wonderful display and he is just what the doctor ordered for Norm McLeod, who plays at outside left. This young fellow, who has served a season and a half with the Royals, shows promise of being the most outstanding outside left in the province. A great little player; never beaten, and watch him put the ball across.

The Royals have a number of good substitutes and may even bring along Dickie Stobbart—that young old man—to put in a short appearance for old times' sake. Dick is still interested in soccer, and if the going gets hard for the Royals, he will be anxious to get into the game.

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UMPIRE TEST IS SUGGESTED

American Association Considering Ocular Examination Next Season

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 23 (AP).—The American Association's president, George M. Trautman, considered today a suggestion he put his umpires through a rigid ocular examination before allowing them on the field next season in baseball's centennial campaign.

"There is something," Trautman mused. "Here's a guy who had an idea. He wants me to have the eyes of the umpires tested in every manner possible. Then he wants each umpire to carry at all times on the field a card certified by the oculist that his eyes are in the best possible shape.

"It has been just 100 years since Abner Doubleday started this game of baseball, and since then umpires have been called blind and everything else by irate fans, but this is the first time a fan ever tried to help the umps. There might be something to this eye-testing business at that."

N.H.L. LEADERS

By The Canadian Press

Standing—Boston, won 12, lost 2, tied 1, points 25.

Points — Gottselig, Chicago, 9 goals, 11 assists, 20 points.

Goals—Gottselig, Chicago, and Blake, Canadiens, 9.

Assists—Gottselig, Chicago 11.

Penalties — Coulter, Rangers, 31 minutes.

Shutouts—Brimsek, Boston 6.

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Strickland Will Meet Knox Next Month in Garden

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 (AP).—Maurice Strickland, of New Zealand, today signed to meet Buddy Knox, of Dayton, O., in a ten-round bout that completes an all-heavyweight card to be staged at Madison Square Garden, January 13. In two other ten-rounders, Tommy Farr will face Clarence (Red) Burman and Roscoe "Toles" will fight Gus Dorazio.

ATHLETES ARE ENTERTAINED

Soccer and Softball Players Guests of Liberal Body—Presentations Made

Between forty and fifty young athletes, members of the Young Liberals soccer and football teams and the Mount Tolmie Football Club, were feted at a banquet held last night at the Liberal Headquarters, Government Street.

Other guests included Alec D. Robertson, Victoria football commissioner; Axel Kinnear, secretary to the commissioner; Ralph Alcock, president of the Intermediate Football League; Charlie Clarke, president of the Merchants' Football League; E. W. Bourke, president of the Young Liberals Association; Jimmie Lynch, coach of the Young Liberals Football Club; Tommy Gray, former trainer; Jimmie Carmichael, trainer, and Bill Okell, who played with the Victoria West team more than twenty years ago.

Ed Whyte, genial manager of the Young Liberals and chairman for the evening, was presented with a pair of gold cuff links by the players, in appreciation of his untiring efforts on their behalf. E. W. Bourke made the presentation.

Sandy Paul, a team member, was presented with a wedding gift by his teammates.

Clifford Prescott rendered vocal selections and led the community singing. Charlie Hunt acted as accompanist.

Tooke Cagers to Travel Interior

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP).—Tookes basketball team of the Inter-City League will take advantage of the Christmas holidays to make a barnstorming tour of Interior British Columbia.

Ten players, Coach Garnet Montgomery and Manager "Chuck" McGillvray will leave here Christmas Day. They will play games in Kelowna, Summerland, Oliver, Hedley and Penticton.

Players making the trip include: Bob Osborne, Jack Edmondson, Jack Purves, Russ Kennington, Jim Pratt, Doug Craig, Louis Ohodat, Doug Whyte, Cy Lee and Ian McLeod.

Going After World's Hockey Title

Europe-Bound in Search of the World's Amateur Hockey Title, the Trail (B.C.) Smoke Eaters, Winners of Last Year's Allan Cup, Sailed From Halifax in the Canadian Pacific Liner Duchess of York. They Are Seen on Board the Liner Just Before Leaving the Nova Scotia Capital.

B.C. Lacrosse Teams To Play Matches in South Next Spring

An All-Indian and All-White Aggregation Will Give Exhibitions at San Francisco Golden Gate Exposition, Announces President

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP).—An all-Indian and an all-white Canadian lacrosse team will play at the San Francisco Golden Gate Exposition next Spring, J. A. McConaghy, president of the Canadian Lacrosse Association, announced here tonight.

Expanding on an announcement from San Francisco tonight regarding the series at the exposition, McConaghy said the games would be played there on March 28, 30 and April 1 next year.

"It is expected the all-Indian team will be made up chiefly from members of the North Shore Lacrosse Club of the Vancouver Inter-City League, strengthened by some Eastern Canadian Indians," he said.

The other team will be selected by representatives of the C.L.A., its branch in British Columbia and the Inter-City Box Lacrosse Commission.

"We have completed a contract with a group which will sponsor box lacrosse in the Bay region in accordance with C.L.A. ideals," McConaghy said.

UNDER CONTROL

The association president said that all players making the trip were under full control of the C.L.A. and would not be allowed to engage in any other lacrosse games without its consent.

Transportation and hotel accommodation have been arranged and each member of the teams will be allowed $4 per day, the same as in the Dominion finals.

The visitors will be housed at Treasure Island, scene of the exposition.

McConaghy also announced that J. M. Streight, of New Westminster, who completed the arrangements with fair officials, had been appointed secretary-treasurer of the C.L.A., replacing E. J. Dopp, of Toronto. Dopp is first vice-president of the association.

FAIR GROUNDS RACING

FAIR GROUNDS, Dec. 23 — Results here today follow:

FIRST RACE—Six furlongs
Calanta (Hacker) 14.60 13.00 12.60
Whitdel (Smith) 6.20 5.00
Jean Dale (Scurlock) 3.40
Time, 1:15 3-5. Also ran: Roll Around, Rush Home, Molly Green, Reigh Mouse, Sweep Day, Carlade, Miss La Monta, Incarnate, Miss Selma.

SECOND RACE—Six furlongs
Skippy McGee (Conley) $16.60 16.00 14.20
Cheer Star (Pantone) 4.00 3.00
Marcabala (Johnson) 2.60
Time, 1:15. Also ran: Little Marcelle, The Bouncer, Real Jam, Bad Dreams, Beacon Queen, Chatin, Kerry Lite, Lucky Child, Penurious.

THIRD RACE—Six furlongs
Twinkle Feet (Dyer) $5.80 $3.20 $2.80
Encircle (Conley) 4.00 3.20
Paycheck (Greever) 4.40
Time, 1:14. Also ran: Ethela Choice, Flaming Play, Broadcaster, No Doubt, Hands Down, Fighting D., Vintage, Miney.

FOURTH RACE—Mile and seventy yards
Delay Not (Cornes) $6.60 $3.60 $2.80
Molly Fly (Conley) 4.80 3.40
Lucky Jewell (Charlton) 10.40
Time, 1:46 4-5. Also ran: Ajaycee, Brilliant One, Banner Witch, Sales Woman, Minnie Pot, Flying Dell, Beths Baby, War Trades, Combea.

FIFTH RACE—Mile and one-sixteenth
Blazing Sun (Bowen) $5.80 $3.20 $2.60
Good Memory (Eccard) 4.00 2.80
Pirate Lass (Leblanc) 2.60
Time, 1:48 4-5. Also ran: Fair Mole, Hour Size, Otterrop, Secured, Rock Rim, Moons Mission, Imperial Nick, Taximan, Bright Melody.

SIXTH RACE—Mile and seventy yards
Eddie Gardner (Vedder) $20.40 13.00 13.80
False Card (Bowen) 6.20 4.40
Miss Apprehend (Burns) 2.60
Time, 1:44 2-5. Also ran: Silver Fleet, Books Pride, Missal Pay, Manhunt, Lena J., Silver Palm.

SEVENTH RACE—Mile and seventy yards
Stormy Sea (Hauer) $10.40 14.00 13.20
Lifelike (Hernandez) 3.00 2.80
Somebody (Krovitz) 4.60
Time, 1:44 1-5. Also ran: Polante Seth, Colorist, Hereon, Ruff Day, High Diver, Cossack Girl, John Doe, Derby Dawn. (Polante Seth ran second but was disqualified).

OVERNIGHT ENTRIES

FIRST RACE—Mile and seventy yards
Barbara J 103
Beautiful Bud 106
Tiempo 109
Proof 108
Ann Star 104
Unfurl 103
Floslida 106
Demandina 103
Cherokee Red 103
Ellabee 98
Marzaret Nadi 106

SECOND RACE—Six furlongs
Laconic 111
Waush Pop 116
Sister Polly 108
Maegon 111
Bobbrax 114
Dusky Maid 106
Annino 113
Carrying Time 111
All Lady 108
Michigan Miss 106
Miss Monte 109
Apropos 113
Only Son 111

THIRD RACE—Six furlongs
My Dess 102
Big Tim 105
Noasalo 104
Revlon 102
Patchpocket 112
Miss Europe 104
Double Six 112
Linnie Kate 104
Queen Irene 109
Upholder 107
Vedalia 107
Albert D. 107
Trip 109
Henrietta 102
The Jurist 107
Spry Crest 112
Imperial Jones 105
Sir Ten 112

FOURTH RACE—Mile and one-quarter
Coming Back 110
River Dee 95
Merne 102
Justa Flight 107
Skipsea 104
Lockstep 104
Swift Lad 109
Phantom Pox 109
Apple Time 104
Brass Monkey 107
Oncave 97
Chehalis 102
Secured 102
Stout Heart 107

FIFTH RACE—Six furlongs
Frozen Mask 100
Lucky Ducky 94
Ozark 109
Fore 116
Mon Reve 108
My Lawyer 101
French Bread 103
Grand Day 103

SIXTH RACE—Six furlongs
(A) Real Play 98
Waxwing 104
(A) Fairflax 110
Chief Nadi 106
Chance Ray 106
Clotks 105
(B) Grey Streak 103
Sangreal 94
Brown Knight 102
(C) Little Nymph 107
(D) White Cockade 108
(B) Shining Heels 112
Adolf 95
(C) Knee Deep 100
Taken 108
(D) Joanny 98

SEVENTH RACE—Mile and one-sixteenth
On Leave 110
Enfin 111
Charwitch 102
Off Duty 108
Hickory Lad 105
Mission Time 103
Biography 110
Prince Ballot 105
Tea Jester 114
Cottingham 111
Sailorman 109
Almarine 107
Ilsa 102
Texas Boy 101
Waka 101
Hereward 110
Disak 114
Don Pancho 109

LEONARD HUTTON OUT OF ENGLISH LINE-UP FOR OPENING TUSSLE

Young Yorkshireman Not Sufficiently Recovered From Head Injuries to Take Part in First Of Cricket Series Against Springboks —Line-Ups Are Announced

JOHANNESBURG, Dec. 23 (CP).—Leonard Hutton, who achieved fame last Summer by hitting 364 runs—a record score for international cricket—will not play for England against South Africa tomorrow in the first test of the current five-game series.

The young Yorkshireman had recovered after being struck on the head by a fast-traveling ball last week, but Walter Hammond, the touring captain, believes it would be unwise and unfair to the player to include him in the eleven.

Five amateurs and six professionals will make up the team to oppose the Springboks in the four-day battle scheduled to conclude next Wednesday.

In addition to Hammond the eleven will line up with Kenneth Farnes, Essex; B. H. Valentine and Ames, Kent; N. W. D. Yardley, P. A. Gibb and Verity, Yorkshire; Edrich, Middlesex, Goddard, Gloucestershire; Paynter and Wilkinson, Lancashire.

South Africa's team will be Alan Melville, Bruce Mitchell, K. G. Viljoen, A. B. C. Langton, E. Q. Davies and N. Gordon, Transvaal; Dudley Nourse, E. L. Dalton and W. W. Wade, Natal; Pieter Van der Byl and G. Bond, Western Province.

FIRST APPEARANCES

Yardley, Gibb and Wilkinson are making first appearances in international competition. Both the Yorkshire amateurs are sound batsmen and Yardley has taken many wickets with his medium-pace off-spinning deliveries. Gibb is also a wicketkeeper but it is probable Leslie Ames, the Kent veteran, will play behind the stumps in tomorrow's game.

Much interest is being taken in the debut of Wilkinson, young Lancashire bowler, who is in his first full season for the County Palatine last Summer took 136 wickets at a cost of 22.66 runs each. A slow leg-break trundler, the tall Wilkinson makes full use of his height and his variations are considerable, even for a spin bowler.

With the exception of Mitchell, Viljoen, Langton, Nourse and Dalton, experienced test cricketers, the Springboks are all newcomers in the international field. Alan Melville, captain, and Pieter Van der Byl are well known in England. The former studied at Oxford and also captained Sussex in county cricket. He returned to Johannesburg a few years ago.

ITALIAN GOVERNMENT FORBIDS RUGBY TILT

PERPIGNAN, France, Dec. 23 (AP).—The Italian Government has forbidden an Italian Rugby team to meet the Arles Club here in a Christmas Day match.

The Italian consul-general officially informed the prefect of the Pyrenees-Orientales Department the Italian Government fears incidents might be provoked because of the tension existing between France and Italy.

Will Play Here With Cage Champions

RALPH HENDERSON

FORMER star of the Varsity cagers and now a member of Vancouver Westerns, Canadian basketball champions, who will be in uniform when the Dominion titleholders oppose the Victoria All-Star hoop quintette next Wednesday evening at the High School gymnasium. The inter-city fixture will be the feature attraction of a three-game programme. Eight Aces, undefeated leaders of the Intermediate "A" boys' division, will oppose the Chinese Students, first-place quintette in the senior "B" men's loop, in the second encounter. Tull's Unitys and Cardinals, cagette squads, will meet in the curtain raiser at 7 o'clock.

Max Baer Will Meet Nova Next May, Says Jacobs

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 23 (AP).—Promoter Mike Jacobs said today agreements had been reached for a match in New York, in May, between former heavyweight champion Max Baer and Lou Nova, Californian, considered by some a possible future challenger to Joe Louis.

"I've got an exclusive contract for Baer, and I'll have Nova's, Sunday," said Jacobs.

The outdoor ring battle will take place "on or about" May 25, said the promoter, stating he would make details known after both contracts are signed.

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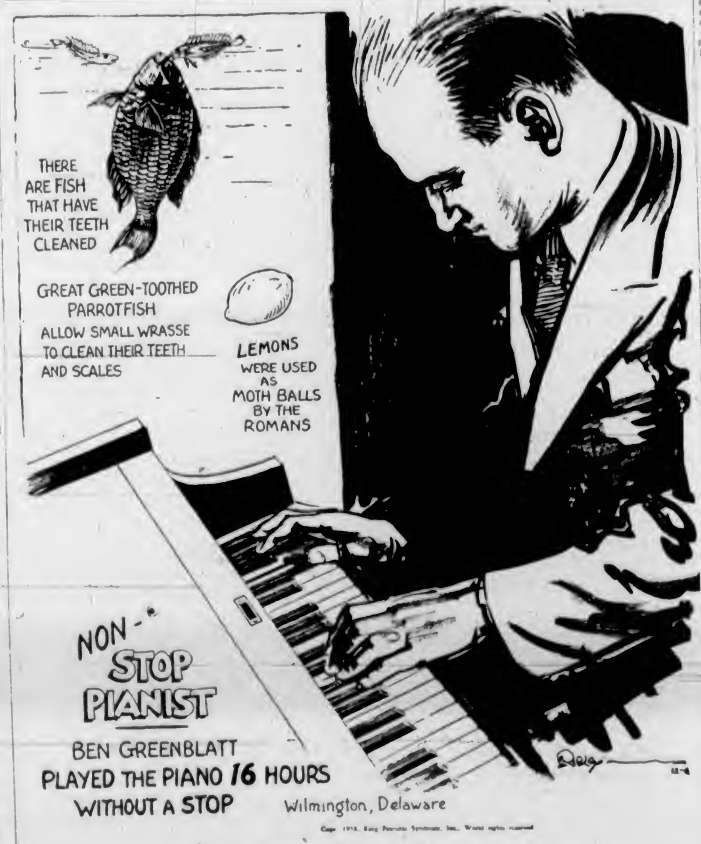

ALL YESTERDAY'S ITEMS SELF-EXPLANATORY

Please address all queries to Cartoonist Ripley, c/o King Features, New York City, N.Y.

Snow Will Not Interfere With Today's Soccer

LONDON, Dec. 23 (CP).—Lower temperatures are causing plenty of worry for English football officials today. It was announced that snow will not interfere with tomorrow's league programme unless it is accompanied by fog or dangerous icy conditions develop.

Teams throughout the country have taken precautions against bad weather. Everton and Arsenal have experimented successfully with underground electric current to soften the hard turf, and elsewhere braziers scattered over grounds are melting the snow.

Referees have the deciding word. In most cases they will attend an hour or two before matches are scheduled to start to rule on the fitness of the grounds.

A thaw set in in Lancashire today, but snow fell again in London.

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AT 12:31, 3:11, 5:54, 8:31
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A TRADE SECRET

Jones, on a walking holiday in the North, found he had run out of cigarettes. Passing through a tiny village he saw a general store so he walked in and rang the bell on the counter.

In a few minutes the shopkeeper appeared.

"Packet of Blank's cigarettes, please," demanded Jones.

The shopkeeper shook his head.

"Oh, be gurt sorry, zur," he said. "Oi was allays runnin' out o' that brand, so Oi just stopped stockin' on 'em."

GOTTSELIG IS WELL IN LEAD

Chicago Winger Lengthens Margin Over Anderson In Scoring Race

By The Canadian Press

Johnny Gottselig, of Chicago, lengthened his lead in the race for National Hockey League scoring honors by picking up an assist, Thursday night, as Black Hawks tied Detroit Red Wings, 3-3. He now is six points up on Tommy Anderson, of Americans; Toe Blake, of Canadiens, and Clint Smith, of Rangers, who each have fourteen points. Five players are tied for the last spot.

	G	A.	Pts.
Gottselig, Chicago	9	11	20
Blake, Canadiens	9	5	14
Anderson, Americans	6	8	14
Smith, Rangers	5	9	14
Schriner, Americans	6	7	13
Wiseman, Americans	5	8	13
Barry, Detroit	6	6	12
Stewart, Americans	6	6	12
Cain, Canadiens	5	7	12
Dillon, Rangers	5	7	12
Haynes, Canadiens	3	9	12

Southern Cal. in Practice for Big Grid Game Jan. 2

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 23 (AP).—Southern California's football team went back to the practice field today to resume the study of ways and means of soiling the proud and unblemished grid record of Duke University.

The Dukes are due to reach Pasadena, home of the famed Rose Bowl, tomorrow, and from then on to 2 p.m., January 2, the Crown City is theirs. After that hour the Dukes will be strictly on their own.

N. SOUTH WALES SCORES 294 RUNS

MELBOURNE, Dec. 23 (CP).—New South Wales compiled 294 runs in the opening day's play of a Sheffield Shield cricket match with Victoria today. When stumps were drawn, the home team had made nine runs without loss in reply.

Sidney Barnes, twenty-one-year-old New South Wales batting star, is seeking permission to accept an attractive cricketing post in the North of England and declared the current match might be his last in Australia.

On the other hand, it is stated the Board of Cricket Control may refuse his request. It is reported to be stiffening its attitude in regard to the breaking of contracts, which stipulated that members of the test team which toured England last Summer would not accept appointments in England for two years.

McDonald Suspended

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP). — "Duke" McDonald, left winger on the Vancouver Lions' Pacific Coast League hockey team was suspended today by Manager Guy Patrick for "indifferent playing."

McDonald, a former Moncton Hawk star, was obtained from St. Louis this year, but failed to live up to sparkling advance notices.

The Vancouver manager expects the arrival of a new wing forward within two or three days. He did not say who the new player would be.

OREGON CAGERS WIN

DETROIT, Dec. 23 (AP).—The University of Oregon's tall cagers scored sixteen points in the final seven minutes tonight, to hand Wayne University its first defeat this season. The score was 52-41. Half-time score was 22-22.

Phillips Misses Chance

Len Harvey has left his jaw invitingly wide open here as he brings up a left swing aimed at Eddie Phillips in their fight in London, England, for the British heavyweight boxing championship. Phillips failed to take advantage of the opening, and his omission may have cost him the title. Harvey was awarded the bout and the championship on a foul. Now if Phillips had only thrown his right.

HUSKIES TRIUMPH

SEATTLE, Dec. 23 (AP). — The Washington Huskies made it a clean sweep in their two-game intersectional basketball series with Ohio State University tonight, winning easily, 51-37. The Huskies led at half time, 25-19.

The Huskies were much hotter than last night, when they squeaked through with a 43-41 win.

Seabiscuit Said To Be Lame in South Carolina

COLUMBIA, S.C., Dec. 23 (AP).—The Columbia State said tonight Seabiscuit, quartered here, had "gone the way of all handicap horses—the lame way."

"He's through," the newspaper said. "His age and the youth of his two closest competitors, Stagehand and the Admiral (War Admiral), have combined with the fates to bring about frustration of his owner's ambition, namely, to make the 'Biscuit the champion money winner of all time.

"He's probably got enough left in him to win a prep race or two, but when it comes to the big time contests, where he has youth, weight, age and lameness to contend with, he won't make the grade."

CHICAGO CUBS HEAD THE LIST

Best Defensive Team in National League During Last Campaign

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 (CP).—Fielding figures announced today by the National Baseball League revealed Chicago Cubs as the tightest defensive team for the third consecutive season.

In winning the pennant the Bruins fielded .9779 to better the five-year-old record of Boston Bees by .0001. Chicago also lowered its own mark for the fewest errors by two, committing 135 during the season, and had the most put outs, 4,164.

Two of the Cubs led in fielding their individual positions. Jim (Ripper) Collins headed the first basemen with .9956, only .0002 better than Frank McCormick, of Cincinnati, and Billy Herman led the second basemen with .981.

Playing Manager of The Royals

DAVE TURNER

VETERAN inside left, and playing manager of the New Westminster Royals, who will be on the firing line in Monday afternoon's Inter-City Football League match against Victoria United at the Athletic Park at 2:15. Turner, a veteran of many a champion club, is still clever and always dangerous when within shooting range of the opposition goal. The Royals will have either Fred Blewett or M. Houser in goal, and Walt Wheeler and M. Manzer on the back division. The half line will be made up of Max Osovsky, Wilson Drake and Jimmy Gemmell. Tommy Musgrave, former Victorian, is the outside right, and Graham White will hold down the inside berth. Bill Gray will look after the pivot position, and Dave Turner and Norm McLeod will form the left-wing combination. The visitors will have some good reserve strength on hand, and may bring along Dickie Stobbart, grand old man of British Columbia football.

Didrickson Married

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 23 (AP). — Two stars of the athletic world—Mildred (Babe) Didrickson, the versatile Beaumont, Texas, girl who skyrocketed to fame in the 1932 Olympics, and George Zaharias, the wrestler—were married here late today. Their marriage was a culmination of a romance which began on a golf course, when they were paired together in the Los Angeles open tournament a year ago. Both shoot in the low 70's.

TORONTO SQUAD WINS OVER CUBS

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP). — A smooth-playing Toronto Varsity crew outplayed New Westminster Cubs, 5-3, in an exhibition hockey game here tonight.

Bill L'Heureux broke a 3-3 tie ten seconds before the end of the second period for the visitors, and Dick Craig cinched the contest in 16:14 of the last frame.

Bob Copp, who sniped one in the first period and another midway through the second, and Cam MacLachlan were the other scorers for Toronto.

All three Cub tallies were scored by Dick Scott, one after 8:45 in the first period, and the others within 17 seconds in the next period.

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At the Theatres

PREVIEW TO FEATURE "THE YOUNG IN HEART"

The locale of "The Young in Heart," which will show as a special midnight preview at the Plaza Theatre commencing at 12:1 o'clock Sunday night, is largely the French Riviera and London, so the costumes had to be Continental in style.

In New York, Hollywood, Paris and London, Klam is noted as one of the few fashion creators who designs not only gowns, but all accessories, including clips and buttons, as well. Famous and beautiful women have journeyed to his New York firm to obtain his exclusive models.

OAK BAY THEATRE One of the Texas pioneers who built the great empire of the American Southwest is played by Randolph Scott in "The Texans," the epic drama of the South in the days following the War Between the States, which will close today at the Oak Bay Theatre.

DOMINION THEATRE Smartly paced by three talented comedy stars, Mischa Auer, Mary Boland and Edward Everett Horton, Universal's ruffian gang of boy actors made its debut into the charmed circle of the socially elite in "Little Tough Guys in Society," now at the Dominion Theatre.

PLAZA THEATRE The story of "Sky Devils," which will close today at the Plaza Theatre, has many unusual twists, and the dialogue sparkles with humor. It moves at a terrific tempo from start to finish, and piles laugh upon laugh, and thrill upon thrill, as the action unreels on the screen.

COLUMBIA THEATRE Vivacious Charlotte Field plays the feminine lead in "Pride of the West," the new "Hopalong Cassidy" drama featuring William Boyd, George Hayes and Russell Hayden, which will show for the last times today at the Columbia Theatre.

CAPITOL THEATRE Paramount has at last found the perfect vehicle for its newest star, Olympe Bradna, in the gay comedy, "Say It in French," which will show for the last times today at the Capitol Theatre. And, to make good better, Ray Milland forms an ideal screen partner for the pert and vivacious actress.

ATLAS THEATRE More tuneful and entertaining than any previous Bobby Breen vehicle is the eleven-year-old singer's "Breaking the Ice," which will close today at the Atlas Theatre. By all odds the picture is the most costly, as well as most spectacular in the career of this star songster of radio and the screen.

AMUSEMENTS

On the Screen

Atlas — "Breaking the Ice," starring Bobby Breen.

Capitol—Ray Milland in "Say It in French."

Columbia — "Pride of the West," starring William Boyd.

Dominion — "Little Tough Guys in Society."

Oak Bay — The Texans, starring Randolph Scott.

Plaza—Spencer Tracy in "Sky Devils."

"THE DAWN PATROL" HERE SUNDAY NIGHT

Back in the type of role that brought him to the forefront of the Hollywood acting ranks, Errol Flynn has the leading role in "The Dawn Patrol," which will have a special preview showing at the Capitol Theatre commencing at 12:05 o'clock Sunday night.

With him are Basil Rathbone and David Niven, making up the dashing trio of war aces, about whom the story centres.

A wartime drama of British flying dare-devils, "The Flying Patrol" gives Flynn the type of role that has made him so popular.

TALENTED CONDUCTOR OF CHOIR SELF-TAUGHT

The talented conductor of the Platoff Cossacks, appearing Monday, January 2, at the Empire Theatre, has trained every member of the choir himself. He says: "I am a self-taught musician, but then every Cossack is born with a soul for his music—and by his music I mean the traditional folk music of the Cossacks of the Don, Kuban, Ural Mountains, or the Caucasus. There are many varieties of Cossacks, and every member of my choir is a Cossack born and bred. The music we give, sing or dance is traditional, and it has been sung or danced in the manner in which we present it for the past three centuries."

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FINANCE - COMMERCE - MARKETS

Stock and Bond Prices Gain at New York Mart

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 (AP).—Stock market buying again centred in rails today although selected industrials were prominent passengers on the upward excursion.

Closing gains, not far from the tops of the day, ran to a point or more. Activity broadened on the extension of Thursday's recovery slant, with transfers totaling 1,216,637 shares compared with 1,042,920 the day before.

The Associated Press average of sixty stocks had its best day of the week, advancing .4 of a point to 51.6.

Carriers, exhibiting strength yesterday, received a further prop in the report of President Roosevelt's railway committee, which, combining both management and labor representation, suggested a wide programme for rehabilitation of the United States transportation systems.

While Wall Street generally termed the committee's recommendations "constructive," opinions varied as to whether they would get through the United States Congress. At the same time, the belief seemed stronger than ever that some sort of relief legislation would be enacted, even if the Presidential board's findings are not followed.

The entire bond market benefited today by another demonstration of buoyant strength in the rail group which improved when the recommendation of the President's special committee on railroads were made known around midday.

After a hasty examination of the report, traders concluded it contained some constructive proposals from the standpoint of the investors' interests.

U.S. Governments participated in the upswing ending with gains ranging up to 8-32 point in the treasury division.

Volume showed a considerable pickup at $10,485,400 face value against $9,391,100 Thursday.

Some foreign loans were out of step with the major trend. There were sharp dips in obligations of Japan, Italy and Germany.

DOW JONES AVERAGES

Thirty industrials 151.39, up 0.86.
Twenty rails 31.13, up 0.53.
Fifteen utilities 22.00, up 0.34.
Forty bonds 89.40, up 0.18.

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(All Fractions In Eighths)

	High	Low	Close
Air Reduction	65-4	65	65
Allied Chemicals	188	188	187
Allis Chalmers	46-6	46-1	46-4
Allied Stores	10-4		10-4
American Can	100-6		100-6
American Celanese	23-6	23-4	23-5
American Pwr. Power	2	2-7	2
American L. & Z.	9-6		9-6
American Locomotive	26-7	26-6	26-2
American P. & L.	5-3	5-2	5-2
American Radiator	17-5	17-1	17-3
American Rollins Mills	20-5	20-2	20-2
American Smelter	49-7	49-1	49-4
American Tel. & Tel.	147-7	147-2	147-5
American Tobacco	67-2	66-4	67-2
American Waterworks	13-1	12-5	12-6
Anaconda Copper	34-6	34-1	34-5
Atchison Railway	39-7	38-3	39-4
Atlantic Refining	22-1	22	22
B. & O. Railway	6-8	6-5	6-6
Baldwin Locomotive	15-	14-4	14-7
Bendix Aviation	28-5	28	28-2
Bethlehem Steel	75-6	75-1	75-3
Boeing	32-2	31-2	32-2
Borden	16-4	16-1	16-4
Borg Warner	31-1	30-6	30-6
Briggs	30-1	29-9	30-1
Canada Dry	16-1		16-1
C. P. R.	5-4	5-3	5-4
Caterpillar Trac.	44-4	44-1	44-4
Cerro de Pasco	47		47
C. & O. Railway	33-1	34-2	33-1
Chrysler	83-1	81-7	81-
Columbia Gas	6-3	6-1	6-2
Commercial Credit	56-6	56-4	56-6
Commercial Solvent	6-4	6	6-3
Commonwealth & So.	1-4	1-2	1-3
Consolidated	26-4	29-2	26-4
Con. Edison	30-1	29-5	30
Cont. Can	40-2	39-6	40
Cont. Oil	9-4	9-3	9-3
Cont. Oil	30-4	29-7	30-3
Crown Zellerbach	12-5	12-4	12-5
Crucible Steel	39-6	39-2	39-4
Curtiss Wright	6-3		6-3
Curtiss Wright A	26-4		26-4
Deere & Co.	19-7	19-5	19-5
Douglas Aircraft	77-4	76-8	78-6
Dupont	150	149	150
Eastman Kodak	162-4	162-1	162-4
El Auto Lite	35	34-2	34-5
El. Power & Lite	10-7	10-4	10-7
Fairbanks Morse	41-3	40-4	41-3
Freeport Texas	26-9	26-3	26-4
General Foods	39-7	38-4	39-2
Gen. Electric	43	42-4	43
General Motors	50	49-4	49-7
Goodyear	37-2	36-7	37
Granby Copper	7-6	7-2	7-6
Great Northern	28-4	27-2	28-4
Great West Sugar	24-7	24	24-7
Hoeh-Bound	48-5	48	48-5
Hudson Motors	7-3	7-2	7-2
Hupmobile Motors	2	1-7	2
Inspiration Copper	15-6	15-4	15-4
Int. Harvester	56-7	56-1	56-4
Int. Nickel	35	34-5	34-7
Ind. Rayon	24		24
Int. Tel.	6-7	6-5	6-6
Ill. Central	20-3	19-4	19-7
Johns Manville	105		105
Kennecott Copper	42-6	42-1	42-1
Kresge	20-1	20	20
Lambert Co.	14-1		14-1
L. & M. Tobacco	100	99-3	100
Ludlum Steel	26-2	25-6	25-6
Lowe's	53-5	52-3	53
Lorillard	21	20-7	21
Mack Truck	28-1	27-2	28-1
Mexican Seaboard	20-3		20-3
Monsanto Chemical	105-6	105	105-4
Montgomery Ward	51-7	51-3	51-7
Motor Wheel	15-5		15-5
Nash Kelvinator	8-1	8	8-1
National Biscuit	24	23-5	23-5
Nat. Dairy	12-2	12-1	12-2
National Distillerles	27	26-6	27
National Power & Lite	7-2		7-2
New York Central	19-7	19-4	19-4
North Amer. Aviation	17-3	17-2	17-2
Northern Pacific	11-7	11-4	11-6
Ohio Oil	9-4	9-2	9-2
Owens Ill. Glass	71	70-6	70-6
Pacific Gas & Elec.	26-4		26-4
Packard	4-2	4-1	4-2
Paramount Pictures	12-7	12-4	12-6
Penn. Railway	21-7	21-3	21-6
People's Gas	37-1	37	37-1
Phillips Pete	42		42
Pullman	35-7	35-6	35-7
Pure Oil	10-3	10-2	10-3
Radio	7-4	7-3	7-3
Rem Rand	15-7	15-4	15-4
Republic Iron Steel	24-2	23-6	23-9
Reynold's Tob.	43	42-6	43
Safeway Stores	26	25-5	25-7
Schenley	16	15-7	15-7
Sears Roebuck	73-4	73-4	73-4
Sharon Steel	19-8		19-8
Shell Union	14-6	14-3	14-3
Socony Vacuum	12	12-5	12-7
Southern Pacific	19-9	19-2	19-3
Southern Rly.	31-2	30-4	30-6
Sperry Corp.	46-4	45-1	45-1
Standard Brands	6-3	6-2	6-2
Standard Gas	2-2	2-1	2-2
Standard Oil, Cal.	27-7	27-2	27-6
Standard Oil, N.J.	51-7	50-5	51-7
Stewart Warner	9-5	9	9-4
Superior Oil	2-7		2-7
Studebaker	7-1		7-1
Texas Corp.	45-9	45-2	45-6
Texas Gulf	31-2	30-6	31-2
Timken	50	49-4	48-4
Trans-American	6-4		6-4
Twentieth Century Fox	25-3	25-1	25-3
Underwood Elliot	64-3	63-9	64-3
Union Carbide	89-4	89	89-3
Union Oil, Cal.	18-2		18-2
Union Pacific	90-4	90	90-2
United Aircraft	40-7	40-3	40-7
United Airlines	12	11-6	11-6
United Corp.	2-7	2-6	2-7
United Fruit	63-6	62-6	63-6
United Gas & Imp.	10-5	10-4	10-4
U.S. Pipe & Foundry	46	45-4	45-4
U.S. Indus. Alcohol	23-6	22	23-6
U.S. Realty	4-7	4-6	4-7
U.S. Rubber	51-5	50-4	51-1
U.S. Smelting	57	56-4	56-4
U.S. Steel	67-1	66-3	66-5
Vanadium	27		27
Warner Bros.	5-4	5-3	5-4
Westinghouse Air Brake	29-1	27-7	29-1
Westinghouse Electric	117-6	117-4	117-6
Western Union	21-4	20-6	21-4
White Motor	11-7	11-2	11-7
Woolworth	49-8	49-4	49-4
Youngstown S. & T.	52-4	51-7	52-3
Zenith Radio	19	19-6	19

WHEAT FUTURES GAIN ONE CENT

WINNIPEG, Dec. 23 (CP).—Winnipeg wheat prices displayed a strong tone in today's trading with firmness on outside markets and large-scale buying being credited for the upward trend. Active support from export houses and overseas interests also aided the rise in prices which were up 1 cent at top levels.

Export sales of Canadian wheat were placed at 300,000 bushels and purchases by mills, seaboard and overseas buyers were reported to exceed 1,000,000 bushels.

Closing futures quotations were 1 to 7-8 cents higher, December at 60 3-4, May 62 3-8, and July 62 7-8 cent. Rumors the United States had negotiated an export deal involving sale of 5,000,000 bushels of wheat to the Orient added to the bullish tone.

Purchase of three Australian flour cargoes by China was a major factor in Liverpool's strong stand where futures finished 1-4 to 3-4d higher.

Buenos Aires moved narrowly but values held steady. Chicago was quiet but firm.

A total of 1,581,000 bushels of wheat was shipped from Australian ports during the past week, against 1,683,000 the previous week and 2,204,000 bushels a year ago. Of this total 1,088,000 bushels were non-Europe.

Exports of wheat from the Argentine reached 922,000 bushels last week, compared with 996,000 for the preceding seven-day period and 1,906,000 bushels last year. Clearances included 1,088,000 bushels non-Europe.

No improvement was shown in cash wheat and spreads were reported unchanged. In the coarse grain pit operations were uninteresting, but price range in all grains improved slightly.

The holiday schedule issued today said Liverpool would be closed tomorrow, Monday and Tuesday. Monday will be the only day taken off by North American exchanges.

WINNIPEG GRAIN

Wheat—	P.C.	Open	High	Low	Close
Dec.	59⅝	60	60¼	60	60¼
May	61⅞	61⅞	62½	61⅞	a62¼
July	62	62¼	62⅝	62⅝	a62⅝
—Oats—					
Dec.	26¼	26⅛	26⅛	26¼	26¼
May	29⅝	29⅝	29⅝	29⅝	b29⅝
July	28½				b28⅝
—Rye—					
Dec.	39⅛				b40¼
May	41⅝	41⅝	41⅝	41⅝	a41⅝
July	42⅛	42⅛	42⅛	42⅛	42⅛
—Barley—					
Dec.	36⅝	36⅝	36⅝	36⅝	36⅝
May	38⅞	39	39⅛	38⅞	39
July	38	38⅛	38⅛	38⅛	38⅛

Cash Grain

Wheat—1 Hard, 61. 1 Northern, 60⅞. 2 Northern, 57⅞. 3 Northern, 52⅞. No. 4, 46⅞. No. 5, 39⅞. No. 6, 33⅞. Feed, 33⅞.

Barley—Feed, 28. 1 Feed, 28½. 2 Feed, 28⅛. Track, 28½. Barley 2 R.O.W. 38⅞. 6 R.O.W. 36⅞. 3 C.W. 36⅞. 4 C.W. 35⅞. 5 C.W. 34⅞. 6 C.W. 33⅞. Track, 39⅞.

Flax—1 N.W.C., 148. 3 C.W., 136. 3 C.W. 124. 4 C.W., 119. Track, 139⅞.

Rye—1 C.W., 40⅞. 2 C.W., 40⅞. 3 C.W., 38⅞. Rejected No. 2, 33⅞. 4 C.W., 32⅞. Track, 40⅞.

CHICAGO GRAIN

(H. A. Humber, Ltd.)

	P.C.	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat—					
Dec.		67½	67⅞	67⅛	67⅞
May	67	67⅞	67⅞	67	67⅞
July	66⅞	67	67⅛	66⅞	67⅛
—Corn—					
Dec.		34	34	33⅞	34
May	32	32½	32⅞	32⅛	32⅝
July	32⅞	33⅛	33⅞	33	33⅞
—Oats—					
Dec.		27⅛	28	27⅛	a27⅛
May	28⅞	28⅞	28⅞	28⅞	28⅞
July	27⅞	b27			b27⅞
—Rye—					
Dec.		b44			b45⅞
May		45⅞	45⅞	45⅛	45⅞
July		44⅞	45⅛	44⅞	45⅛

London Stocks

LONDON, Dec. 23 (AP).—Closing Brazil, $9 1-8. C.P.R., $5 7-8. Int. Nickel, $58 1-4. U.S. Steel, $71 1-8. Cent Mining, £18 3-4. Consol Gold Fields, 65s. Crown, £15 1-2. East Geduld, £10 7-8. H.B.C., 21s 9d. Mining Trust, 2s 3d. Rand, £8 1-4.

Bonds—British 2½ per cent Consols, £70; British 3½ per cent War Loan, £97 5-8; British Funding 4% 1960-90, £107 3-8.

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FOREIGN EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 (AP).—Quotations in cents.

Canada—Montreal in New York, 99.90; New York in Montreal, 101.00.
Belgium—16.85½.
Czecho-Slovakia—3.42½.
Denmark—20.83.
Finland—2.07½.
France—2.63⅝.
Germany—40.10; travel 22.50.
Greece—.96.
Hungary—19.85.
Italy—5.29¼.
Yugoslavia—2.34.
Netherlands—54.35.
Norway—23.45.
Poland—18.94.
Portugal—4.24½.
Rumania—.75.
Sweden—24.02.
Switzerland—22.58½.
Argentina—31.10.
Brazil—Free 5.90.
Mexico City—20.75.
Japan—27.22.
Honakong—29.20.
Shanghai—16.90.

STERLING EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 (AP).—Quotations in dollars. 4.86⅝; sixty-day bills 4.85 9-16.

(Rates in spot cables, unless otherwise indicated.)

STOCKS FIRM ON MONTREAL BOARD

MONTREAL, Dec. 23 (CP).—Preholiday dullness settled over the stock market today, but there was still enough demand for favorites.

Canadian Car preferred advanced to a new high for a year or more of 32 1-2, but the price fell back to 31 1-2. The common shares strengthened fractionally. National Steel Car closed up 1 1-2 at 67 1-2.

Gains of one-half appeared for Nickel, Hudson Bay Mining and Noranda. Steel of Canada jumped more than a point to 76 1-2, while United Steel firmed narrowly. Canada Cement gave ground.

Ahead small amounts were Price Brothers, St. Lawrence Corporation, Montreal Power, Shawinigan and International Pete. On the offside were Bell Telephone and Imperial Oil.

MONTREAL QUOTATIONS

(H. A. Humber, Ltd.)

	Close
Acme Glove	5
A.P. Grain	2
Brunk Silk	4
Canada Cement	9⅞
Canadian Car & Foundry	17⅞
Canadian Car & Foundry, Pfd.	31⅞
Canadian Alcohol A	2
Canadian Alcohol B	2⅞
Cockshutt Plow	6
Consolidated Smelters	59
Dominion Bridge	37
Dominion Coal, Pfd.	16
Dominion Coal B	12
Dominion Tar	6⅞
Electrolux of Canada	14
English Electric B	7⅞
Gatineau Power	13
Gatineau Power, Pfd	87
General Steelwares	7⅞
General Steelwares, Pfd	76
Canada Gypsum	6⅞
Hollinger	15
Hudson Bay M & S	33
Intl. Nickel	58
Intl. Pete	26
Lake of the Woods Milling	16
Laura Secord	13
Montreal Power	30⅞
Montreal Tramways	70
National Breweries	41
National Breweries, Pfd	42
National Steel Car	66
Ogilvies	26⅞
Power Corp.	11⅞
Pete Bros	19
Price Bros. Pfd.	58
St. Lawrence Corpn	4⅞
St. Lawrence Corpn. A Pfd.	15
St. Lawrence Paper Pfd	40
Sherwin-Williams	14
Southern Canada Power	12
Steel of Canada	76
Steel of Canada Pfd	70
United Steel	6
Winnipeg Electric	1
Westons	12
Curb	
Abitibi	2
Abitibi, Pfd	18⅞
Aluminum of Canada, Ltd	136
Asbestos	106
B.A. Oil	21
Canada Bread	24
Canada Malting	34
Canadian Breweries, Pfd	22
Canadian Vickers, Pfd	40
Commercial Alcohol	2
Consolidated Paper	6⅞
Cub Aircraft	3⅞
Dominion Engineering	44⅞
Donnacona A	5⅞
Fleet Aircraft	10
Ford A	21⅞
Fraser Co.	16
Lake Sulphite	3
McLaren's	40
Massey-Harris, Pfd	62
McColl-Frontenac, Pfd.	100
Power Corpn., Pfd	43
Royalite Oil	20
Shawinigan W. & P.	20⅞
Steel of Canada	75⅞
Thrift	10⅞
Dome	32
Hollinger cons.	14⅞
Lake Shore	58
McIntyre Porcupine	52
Noranda	79
Pickle Crow	5.00
Premier	2.25
Wright Hargreaves	9.05
Bank of Montreal	2.09
Royal Bank	1.88
Banks	
Banque Canadienne Nationale	164
Bank of Montreal	207½
Bank of Nova Scotia	302

EGG MARKET

These prices are obtained daily from the office of the Dominion Government Poultry Products Inspection Service, Victoria:

Grade "A" large	30
Grade "A" medium	28
Grade "A" pullet	26

Following are city wholesale:

Grade "A" large	34
Grade "A" medium	32
Grade "A" pullet	30

Stocks and Bonds

(A. E. AMES & CO., VICTORIA)

	Bid	Asked
Bell Telephone	166	166
Brazilian T.L. & P.	8⅞	9
B.A. Oil	21½	21¾
B.C. Power "A"	23	24⅞
Canada Malting	34½	34⅞
Canadian Pacific	5⅞	5⅞
Con. Mining & Smelting	59½	60
Dominion Bridge	37	37½
Dominion Textile	80	81
Fanny Farmer	20⅞	21⅞
Ford A	21	21½
Goodyear Tire pfd.	56	58
Gatineau Power pfd	87	88
Hiram Walker G. & W.	49½	49⅞
Hiram Walker G. & W. pfd	20⅞	20⅞
Imperial Oil	16⅞	17
Imperial Tobacco	13⅞	13½
Intl. Nickel	55	55⅞
Intl. Petroleum	26⅞	26⅞
Lobtaw Gree "A"	22½	24
McColl Frontenac pfd.	89	93
Montreal Power com	30⅞	30½
Ogilvie Flour	26⅞	27⅞
Royalite Oil	43⅞	44
Shawinigan W. & P.	20⅞	20½
Steel of Canada	75⅞	76
Thrift	10⅞	11
Preferred	72	32
Hollinger cons.	14⅞	15⅞
Lake Shore	58	58⅞
McIntyre Porcupine	52	53
Noranda	79	79½
Pickle Crow	5.00	5.05
Premier	2.25	3.50
Wright Hargreaves	9.05	9.10
Bank of Montreal	2.09	2.10
Royal Bank	1.88	1.90

TORONTO STOCK PRICES ADVANCE

TORONTO, Dec. 23 (CP).—Toronto market today headed into the holiday period with prices tending upward. The market will be closed till Tuesday following Saturday's short session.

Massey-Harris preferred climbed 3 to 61 and the common advanced 7-8. A minor gain appeared for Cockshutt Plow, Canadian Car common advanced 1 1-4 and the preferred 5-8.

Walkers common firmed a point and the preferred added 3-8. Ford "A," C.P.R. and the senior oils finished on the up side.

Broulan Gold again turned over in quantity on a net advance of 1 1-2 to 70 1-2. O'Brien firmed 25.

Waite-Amulet at 7.95 was up 20. Noranda gained 3-4 and International Nickel had the same advance. Smelters finished steady.

Lighter turnover marked the Western Oil market but the price tone was firm. Home closed 8 up and narrow gains were held by Commonwealth Petroleum, East Crest and Model. Foothills and Okalta eased off moderately.

MINING SECTION

(Island Investment Co., Ltd.)

	Bid	Asked
Ajax	.16	.23
Aldermac	.47	.53
Bankfield	.27	.30
Base Metals	.26	.30
Beattie	1.26	1.30
Big Missouri	.25	.26
Bobjo	.16	.17
Bralorne	11.00	11.25
Buffalo Ankerite	15.00	15.50
C. & E. Corpn.	2.45	2.50
Canadian Malartic	.92	.95
Cariboo Gold Quartz	2.35	2.40
Castle-Trethewey	1.00	1.02
Central Patricia	2.41	2.45
Chemical Research	.42	.50
Chibougamau	.22	.23
Coast Copper	2.35	3.00
Cosarium	1.45	1.49
Dome	32.75	33.00
Eldorado	2.37	2.36
Falconbridge	5.35	5.60
God's Lake	.24	.25
Gunnar	.56	.64
Hard Rock	1.63	1.65
Hollinger	14.50	15.00
Home Oil	2.76	2.60
Howey	.29	.30
Hudson Bay M. & S.	33.25	33.75
Intl. Nickel	55.25	55.50
Kirkland Lake	1.27	1.29
Lakeshore	49.00	46.50
Leitch Gold	.77	.78
Little Long Lac	2.60	2.65
Macassa	3.35	3.40
McIntyre	51.75	52.25
McKenzie-Red Lake	1.20	1.21
McLeod Cockshutt	2.72	2.75
McWatters	.64	.66
Minnie Corpn.	1.77	1.64
Monela	1.27	1.30
Morris-Kirkland	.15	.16
Nipissing	1.60	1.70
Noranda	79.75	80.00
O'Brien	2.90	3.00
Pamour	4.45	4.50
Powell Rouyn	2.26	2.30
Paymaster	.49	.0
Pend Oreille	1.75	1.77
Perron Gold	1.52	1.55
Pickle Crow	5.00	5.05
Pioneer	2.45	2.48
Premier	2.20	2.28
Reno	.23	.24
Royalite Oil	42.50	43.75
San Antonio	.1.25	1.28
Sherritt-Gordon	1.25	1.27
Siscoe	1.35	1.37
Sladen Malartic	.72	.75
Stadacona	.46	.51
Sullivan	.85	.90
Sylvanite	3.25	3.40
Teck-Hughes	4.55	4.80
Thompson Cadillac	.25	.27
Toburn	2.01	2.10
Uchi Lake	1.40	1.44
Waite Amulet	7.85	8.00
Wright-Hargreaves	8.05	8.10

INDUSTRIAL SECTION

(Island Investment Co., Ltd.)

	Bid	Asked
B.A. Oil	21	21½
B.C. Power A	24	24½
B.C. Power B	2	2
Bell Telephone	166½	167
Brazilian Traction	8⅞	9⅛
Brewers & Distillers	4½	4
Canada Cement	9½	9⅞
Canadian Car & Foundry	17½	17⅞
Canadian Pacific	5⅞	5⅞
Cockshutt Plow	7	8
Consolidated Smelters	59	60
Distillers-Seagrams	19	20
Dominion Bridge	36	37
Dominion Stores	5⅞	6
Dominion Tar & Chemical	5⅞	6
Ford "A"	21	21
Gatineau Corp.	12	13
Gatineau Pfd		66
General Steelwares	7⅞	8
Gypsum	5⅞	6½
Hamilton Bridge	6	
Hiram Walker	49½	49⅞
Imperial Oil	16⅞	16⅞
Intl. Petroleum	26	27
Imperial Tobacco	13½	13⅞
Intl. Nickel	55⅞	55⅞
Industrial Alcohol A	2	2⅞
Industrial Alcohol B	2⅞	
Lake of the Woods	16	17
Laura Secord	12⅞	13½
National Breweries	30	30⅞
McColl-Frontenac	87½	66
National Steel Car	40½	41⅞
Ogilvie Flour Mills	26	26
Page Hersey	101	103
Power Corpn.	10	11½
Shawinigan	20½	20½
Steel of Canada	76	
Steel of Canada, Pfd.	70	70
Weston	12	12½
Banks		
Canadian Bank of Commerce	175	190
Bank of Montreal	207	210
Bank of Nova Scotia	301	303
Royal Bank of Canada	168	169

Dominion Bonds

(Burns & Wainwright, Ltd.)

			Bid	Asked
Dom. of Can.	1940	4½	104.75	105.75
" "	1941	5	108.75	109.75
" "	1943	A	112.75	113.75
" "	1944	4	111.50	112.75
" "	1945	4	108.00	109.00
" "	1946	4½	112.00	113.00
" "	1949	5	103.75	104.75
" "	1952	4	107.75	108.75
" "	1958	4½	111.50	112.50
" "	1958	4	111.875	112.875
" "	1965	3	99.25	100.25
" "	1966	3½	101.25	102.50
" "	Perp	3	90.75	92.25
" "	1949	3½	102.75	103.75
" "	1951	3½	102.00	103.00
" "	1956	3	96.75	98.75
" "	1967	3	97.375	98.25
DOMINION GUARANTEES				
Can. Nat. Rly.	1931	4½	114.50	115.25
" "	1937	4½	115.75	116.50
" "	1955	4½	117.50	118.25
" July,	1949	5	115.25	116.00
" Oct.,	1968	4	119.00	119.50
" "	1934	5	116.75	119.50
" "	1953	3	99.00	99.50
" "	1944	3	104.00	104.75
" "	1950	3	99.375	99.675
Grand Trunk	1962	3	99.00	99.75
"	1962	4	108.50	110.50
Can. Nor. Rly.	1958	3½	102.00	

Corporation Bonds

(Burns & Wainwright, Ltd.)

	Bid	Asked
Abitibi 5% 1953	82.25	62.25
B.A. Oil 4½ 1945	103.50	104.25
Brown Co. 5% 1946	47.00	45.00
Calgary Power 5% 1960	101.50	102.25
Canada Cement 4½% 1951	104.50	
Canada Steamship 5% 1957	82.00	83.00
C.P.R. 3% 1945	86.50	87.50
C.P.R. 3½% 1951	66.25	67.25
Dominion Tar 4½% 1951	103.25	
Famous Players 6½% 1951	99.50	100.25
Gatineau Power 5% 1949	102.00	102.75
General Steelwares 6½% 1952	97.00	98.00
Massey-Harris 5% 1947	100.00	101.00
McColl-Frontenac 4½% 1949	99.50	100.50
Shawinigan 4% 1961	102.50	103.50
Simpson's Ltd. 4½% 1951	99.50	100.25
United Grain Growers 5% 1948	91.00	94.00

(Toronto Wholesale Prices)

Oil and Gold Stocks Advance Smartly at Vancouver Exchange

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP).—Gains ranged up to 12 cents at the close of Vancouver Stock Exchange today. Trading was centred mostly in the oil section as transactions totaled 89,535 shares.

Home Oil advanced 12 cents to 2.88, Okalta was up 7 at 1.65 and Calgary & Edmonton gained 5 at 2.50. Calmont added 3 cents at 48, and Royal Canadian firmed a cent at 19½. Davies Petroleum was up 1 at 47, and other leading stocks held unchanged.

Bralorne Gold was 10 cents higher at 11.20, Cariboo Gold Quartz added 6 at 2.38, and Kootenay Belle added 3 at 1.54. Pioneer gained 5 at 2.50, and Hedley Mascot was up 1 cent at 1.29.

Base metals were quiet and unchanged.

VANCOUVER EXCHANGE

(Boorman Investment Co., Ltd.)

	Bid	Asked
Mines		
Aztec	.05	.05½
Big Missouri	.25	
Bralorne	11.25	11.25
Bridge River Cons	.03	.03½
Bluebird	.02	.03
Cariboo Gold	2.32	2.38
Dentonia	.05½	
Dunwell	.02	.03
Fairview Amalgamated	.04	.04½
Federal Gold	.01	
George Enterprise		.03
Golconda		.07
Gold Belt	.58	.60
Gold Mountain	.01½	.02
Grandview	.06	.07
Hedley Mascot	1.27	1.29
Hedley Sterling	.00½	
Home Gold	.01	
Indian	.01½	
Island Mountain	1.24	1.35
Kootenay Belle	1.53	1.55
Lucky Jim	.02½	.02½
McVillivary Creek	.23	
Minto	.02½	
Nicola	.03½	.04
Noble Five	.03½	.03½
Pacific Nickel		.25
Pend Oreille	1.72	1.79
Pilot Gold	.00½	.01
Pioneer	2.48	2.50
Porter Idaho	.02½	.03
Premier	2.22	2.24
Quatsino Copper	.03	
Quesnelle Quartz		.09
Reeves Macdonald	.23	.25
Relief Arlington	.13	
Reno	.23½	
Reward	.05½	.09
Rufus Argenta	.01	.01½
Sally	.02	
Salmon Gold	.06	.11
Sheep Creek	.94	.97
Silbak Premier	1.70	1.80
Sunlock	.10	
Taylor Bridge	.05	.09
Vidette		.07
Waverley	.00½	
Wellington	.01½	
Wesko	.01	.01½
Whitewater	.04	.04½
Ymir Yankee Girl	.06	.09
Oils		
Anglo-Canadian	1.26	1.35
Associated	.05½	
Amalgamated	.00⅝	.00⅞
Anaconda	.08½	.10
A.P. Cons.	.20	
Baliac	.03	.04
British Dominion	.12	.15
Brown	.28	
C. & E. Corpn.	2.50	2.52
Calmont	.47	.46
Common	.46	
Commonwealth	.20	
Co-East		.00½
Dalhousie	.66	.70
Leduc	.40	.40
Freehold	.04½

Sunday School Treat Is Enjoyed by Many

There was a large attendance at the annual Christmas tree and entertainment held on Wednesday at the Garden City United Church. The programme opened with a period of carol singing, followed by recitations by Gwen West, Margaret Richdale and Douglas Brown; tableaux and choruses by the intermediate and senior girls; duet, Francis Campbell and Joyce Exton; violin selections, Keith Alexander.

A play entitled "A Christmas Story" was given by the senior girls, under the direction of Miss Annie Stewart. During the evening Miss Muriel Rudd and Miss Jean Scott acted as accompanists. Through the kindness of Mr. Douglas Flintoff, a series of motion pictures was enjoyed, when several educational and comic films were shown.

A Christmas tree, laden with gifts and candies, was dismantled and the gifts distributed by Mrs. W. P. Brown, Mrs. R. A. Scott and Miss Muriel Rudd. Votes of thanks were extended unanimously to Mr. Flintoff and all the workers who assisted in arranging the entertainment, and after the hymn "O Come All Ye Faithful," the proceedings closed with prayer by Rev. William Allan.

Jane Dixon Says:

A MAN WHO CANNOT CONTROL HIS APPETITE FOR DRINK FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE WOMAN HE LOVES, IS A POOR MARRIAGE BARGAIN

Drunkenness easily becomes a progressive disease.

The time to stop the progress of the disease is before it turns the spine to jelly; makes a sponge of the brain, weakens the will to a point where drink is the master and the drinker is merely a vessel to carry out the master's bidding.

Any young man who cannot control his appetite for drink for benefit of the woman he loves and for himself, is a bad marriage bargain.

Dear Jane Dixon: I am twenty and think the world of the man who has asked me to marry him. He is nine years my senior and has a fairly steady job.

I do not drink or smoke, but he gets drunk at dances sometimes and only asks me for a few dances. It embarrasses me and hurts me terribly. I've asked him to stop getting drunk, and he does—for a while, then starts in again.

I know it is easier to get over a broken heart than it is to live a lifetime with a drunkard, but isn't there some way to get him to stop? No one could be better or more lovable than he is when he's sober. My mother is not living, so I need advice from someone. You have such a sane way of solving problems. Please try to solve mine.—"The Girl in the Case."

Answer: If the young man does not love you and respect himself enough to stop hurting you and demeaning himself, it is better that you face the truth now than after you have linked your life with his. If he is a weakling who can not control himself, your lot as his wife would be a miserable one.

Better have a heart-to-heart talk with him, and tell him that unless he proves he is capable of a clean love and a decent self-control, you not only must refuse his offer of marriage, but will be his friend at a distance only.

A young woman of your intelligence and understanding should have more pride than to continue going to dances with a man who embarasses and hurts her. To go on tolerating such conduct in the hope of finding a patented cure for the offence is futile. There are medicinal treatments for drinkers, but all are temporary without the supplement of the will—a fierce determination to control appetite, to stand firm rather than let go.

Perhaps, if the young man realized he must make a choice between you and liquor-to-excess, he would turn to the right and stand firm.

TIME OUT! - - - By Chet Smith

There Goes Sally Now. That Young Warburton Boy Is Taking Her on a Yachting Party!

LIFE'S LIKE THAT - By Fred Neher

"After You!"

ROY POWERS. KING'S SCOUT - - -

Reviewed and Approved by Dominion Headquarters, The Boy Scouts' Association.

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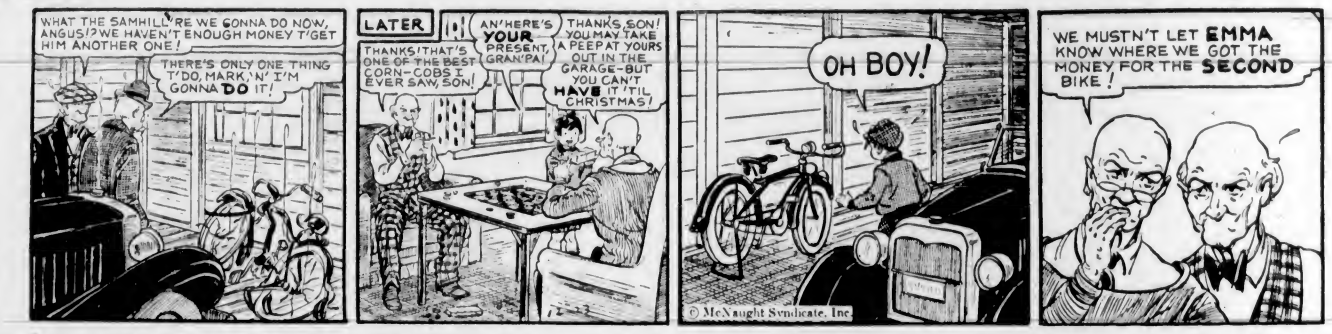
TODDY *Secret Source!* By George Marcoux



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RUSSELL—Passed away on December 19, at Terrace, Switzerland, William H. (Bill) Russell, aged twenty-five.

REED—At Victoria, on December 22, 1938, Mrs. Leila Reed, widow of Alfred Reed, formerly of Winnipeg, Man. Funeral from Hayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel on Saturday at 3.15 p.m. Rev. A. E. G. Hendy officiating. Interment in Royal Oak Burial Park.

STEWART—At the Royal Jubilee Hospital, there passed away Thursday afternoon, December 22, Douglas Stewart, of 1145 Rockland Avenue. The late Mr. Stewart, who was forty-seven years of age, is survived by one sister.
Announcement of funeral service will be made by S. J. Curry & Son on the arrival of Miss Stewart from Winnipeg.

STUART—There passed away at St. Joseph's Hospital on December 21, 1938, James Stuart, of Miller Avenue, Saanich, aged seventy-one years, born in Bracebridge, Ont., and a resident of Victoria for more than twelve years. Survived by three sisters at the residence.
The funeral will be held from Hayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel on Tuesday, December 27, at 2 p.m., Rev. J. L. W. McLean, minister of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, officiating. Interment in Royal Oak Burial Park.

ROBIUS—Passed away at the Royal Jubilee Hospital on Thursday morning, December 22, William Robius, Bonit Apartments, aged sixty-five years. He was born in England, and had resided in this province for two years, and for many years near Moose Jaw, Sask. He is survived by his widow at home, and one brother and sister in England. He was a member of the Sons of England at Moose Jaw, Sask., and a member of the Canadian Legion, South Vancouver.
The remains are resting at McCall Bros' Funeral Home, where the funeral service will be held on Saturday, December 24, at 2 o'clock. Rev. R. E. M. Yerbury will conduct the service. Interment will be made in Colwood Burial Park.

MITCHELL—At the family residence, 1442 Camosun Street, on Friday, December 23, 1938, there passed away at the age of sixty-three years, Stephen Mitchell, Borg at Hillston, Cambridge, England. The late Mr. Mitchell was a resident of Edmonton for thirteen years later moving to Nelson, B.C., where he resided for twelve years prior to coming to Victoria three years ago. He was a member of the I.O.O.F. Lodge at Nelson, B.C. There remain to survive his passing, besides his loving wife at the residence, three sons, Alex., Vancouver, B.C.; Philip J., in Winnipeg, and Walter, in England; also three sisters, in England.
The remains are resting at the chapel of the Sands Mortuary, Ltd., from where the funeral service will be conducted on Wednesday, December 28, 1938, at 2 o'clock. Rev. H. R. V. Bolster will officiate and the remains will be laid at rest in the Colwood Burial Park.

STEWART—On Thursday, December 22, 1938, there passed away in this city at the age of forty-eight years, Henry Stanley Stewart, of 728 Kings Road. Born at Winnipeg, Man., the late Mr. Stewart had been a resident of Victoria since early childhood. During the Great War, Mr. Stewart served overseas with the 3rd Pioneers, 23rd Battalion and the 7th Battalion. There remain to survive his passing besides his mother, Mrs. Francis J. Stewart, two sons, Lawrence, Portland, Ore., and Donald, of Oakland, Calif.; one brother, George Stewart, Portland, Ore.; four sisters, Mrs. George Anderson, 728 Kings Road, Victoria; Mrs. John Lansdell, Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. James White, Fort Steele, B.C., and Mrs. H. C. Burke, of Vancouver, B.C.; also a brother-in-law, Alfred Rule, of this city.
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TODAY

10:45 a.m.—A reproduction of the scene of the birth of Christ in Bethlehem will be envisoned during a special broadcast from Budapest, Hungary. KJR.

10:55 a.m.—Lily Pons, coloratura soprano, will be heard in the role of Lucia, when the opera, "Lucia de Lammermoor," is heard from the Metropolitan Opera House. KOMO, CBR.

2:00 p.m.—Ceremonies in connection with the lighting of the National Community Christmas Tree in Washington, D.C., for which President Roosevelt will throw the switch, will be broadcast. KJR.

3:30 p.m.—Percy Pasternak will direct eight of Toronto's leading radio instrumentalists in an original toy symphony, each musician performing on miniature instruments on the "Saturday Review" programme. CBR.

6:00 p.m.—The Detroit Red Wings-Toronto Maple Leafs hockey game will be described by Foster Hewitt from Toronto. CBR.

7:00 p.m.—"The Cradle of Freedom," three dramatic vignettes depicting historical incidents concerning religious freedom, will be presented. KOMO, KFI, KPO.

9:00 p.m.—A rendition of "Silent Night" by Fred Waring's fifty-five-voice glee club will highlight the Christmas Eve broadcast of his programme. KOMO, KFI, KPO.

9:00 p.m.—Lady Tweedsmuir will open the special Northern Messenger Service broadcast with a personal message to her son, the Hon. John Buchan, at Cape Dorset. The two-hour broadcast will originate in twenty-three cities of the Dominion, from Sydney, N.S., to Vancouver. CBR.

TOMORROW

8.15 a.m.—"At Home With the Crosbys," a Christmas programme showing the advent of Santa Claus to four typical American boys, will be a special feature originating in the home of Bing Crosby. KOMO.

10:00 a.m.—The outstanding news stories of the last century will be dramatized in a special broadcast when the N.B.C. salutes the dedication of the new Associated Press Building in Radio City. KJR.

10:00 a.m.—A portion of Perosi's Christmas Oratorio, sung by the famous Sistine Chapel Choir, will be heard from the Vatican, Rome. The concert will also include sacred Christmas hymns by Palestrina. KOMO, CBR.

11:00 a.m.—Beniamino Gigli, tenor, and the Vienna Boys' Choir, will be featured guest artists on the "Magic Key" programme. KJR.

12:00 noon—Germaine Bruyere, soprano, and Fritz Lechner, baritone, will be soloists with the Art of Musical Russia chorus, which will be heard on the broadcast of the New York Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra. KIRO, KVI, CBR.

1:00 p.m.—The fact that Santa Claus really lived, and that he once spent nine years in jail, will be among the odd stories to be related on John Hix's "Strange as It Seems" programme. KOMO.

3:00 p.m.—Rev. James M. Gillis, C.S.P., will end his present series of addresses on the Catholic Hour. KOMO.

5:00 p.m.—"Porky Pig," hero of scores of Loony Tunes, and an old friend of Charlie McCarthy, will visit this hour, with its regular cast. KOMO.

6:00 p.m.—A performance of Part the First of Handel's "Messiah" will be given by the Mendelssohn Choir of Toronto, supported by orchestra and soloists, under the leadership of Dr. H. A. Fricker. CBR.

6:00 p.m.—Richard Bonelli, operatic baritone, will appear as guest of the "Sunday Evening Hour," with Fritz Reiner conducting the symphony orchestra. KIRO, KVI, KSL.

6:30 p.m.—A programme of Christmas music will be presented on the "American Album of Familiar Music" broadcast, with Frank Munn, tenor, and Jean Dickenson, soprano. KOMO, KFI, KPO.

8:30 p.m.—Jack Benny will play Santa Claus to his cast on this broadcast with Kenny Baker, tenor, and Phil Harris' orchestra. KOMO, KFI, KPO.

Saturday's Programme

(The following programmes are compiled by the stations themselves, broadcasting companies and are subject to change.)

CFCT, Victoria, B.C. (1,550 kcs.)

7:45 a.m.—Morning Salute
8:00 a.m.—Christmas Carollers.
8:15 a.m.—Breakfast News.
8:30 a.m.—Christmas Chronometer.
8:00 a.m.—Morning Carols
8:15 a.m.—Concert Interlude.
9:30 a.m.—Financial Flashes.
9:45 a.m.—Design for Dancing.
10:00 a.m.—Morning Monitor.
10:15 a.m.—Rhythm Record
10:45 a.m.—Marion Talley, songs.
11:00 a.m.—Today's Tops
11:30 a.m.—Music at Random
12:00 noon—Concert Music
12:30 p.m.—Noonhour News.
12:45 p.m.—Noonday Varieties.
1:00 p.m.—Afternoon Musicale
1:15 p.m.—Richard Tauber, songs.
1:25 p.m.—World Book Man.
4:30 p.m.—Dance Music
5:00 p.m.—Evening Monitor.
5:15 p.m.—Yesterdays Hits
5:30 p.m.—Art Farley
6:00 p.m.—Birthday Party.
6:30 p.m.—Music Lovers' Corner
7:00 p.m.—Super Dance
7:30 p.m.—Saturday Symphony.
8:30 p.m.—News Summary
8:45 p.m.—Haymakers
9:00 a.m.—Christmas Greetings.
11:30 p.m.—Midnight HX Frolic

CJOR, Vancouver, B.C. (1000 Kcs.)

8:00 a.m.—News
8:15 a.m.—Ranch Boys
8:30 a.m.—Christmas Carols
9:00 a.m.—Short-in Programme
9:15 a.m.—Melody Time
9:30 a.m.—Organ
9:45 a.m.—Tropical Moods
10:00 a.m.—Stocks
10:05 a.m.—Popular Interlude.
10:15 a.m.—On the Mall.
10:30 a.m.—Good Morning Neighbor.
11:00 a.m.—News
11:15 a.m.—Song Hits.
11:45 a.m.—Pedran Club
12:15 p.m.—Harry Reaser, vocalist.
12:30 p.m.—News
12:45 p.m.—Popular Interlude.
1:00 p.m.—Famous Voices
1:30 p.m.—Junior Quiz
2:00 p.m.—Symphony Hour.
3:00 p.m.—Music for Coast.
3:45 p.m.—Aloha Land
4:15 p.m.—Home Folks
4:30 p.m.—Melodious Strings.
4:45 p.m.—Anything Goes
4:45 p.m.—Musical Workshop
5:00 p.m.—Smilin' Billy Rinshorn.
5:15 p.m.—Rhythm Makers.
5:45 p.m.—Organ Interlude.
8:00 p.m.—Concert Hall
8:20 p.m.—Monitor News
8:45 p.m.—Dance Time.
7:00 p.m.—News
7:15 p.m.—Nickel Club
7:30 p.m.—Tea
7:45 p.m.—Laddie Walkis, vocal
8:00 p.m.—News Flashes.
8:15 p.m.—Organ Interlude.
8:30 p.m.—Cardo Smalley.
8:00 p.m.—Basketball
10:30 p.m.—News
10:45 p.m.—Mountaineers
11:15 p.m.—Rhythm Mart

CBC NETWORK

8:00 a.m.—Press News
8:07 a.m.—Good Morning.
8:15 a.m.—Morning Devotions
8:30 a.m.—Morning Merry-Go-Round.
9:00 a.m.—Sweet Hour of Prayer.
9:15 a.m.—Farm Talk
9:30 a.m.—Alons Gypsy Trails
10:00 a.m.—America Presents
10:30 a.m.—Closing Book Quotation
10:45 a.m.—To be announced.
10:55 a.m.—Metropolitan Opera
1:45 p.m.—Santa Claus Express.
2:00 p.m.—To be announced.
2:15 p.m.—The Lamplighter
2:20 p.m.—Skyride
2:45 p.m.—Stanley Hoban, baritone
3:00 p.m.—Celtic Ceilidh
3:30 p.m.—Saturday Review
4:00 p.m.—Personalities I Have Met
4:15 p.m.—Christmas Carols.
4:30 p.m.—Book Review
4:45 p.m.—Albert Pratt
5:00 p.m.—The Magi's Gift.
5:30 p.m.—Golden Journey
8:00 p.m.—Hockey Broadcast
7:30 p.m.—N.B.C. Symphony Orchestra
8:45 p.m.—The News
9:00 p.m.—Brighaine Christmas to the Frontier
11:00 p.m.—News
11:15 p.m.—Sign Off

N.B.C.-RPO RED NETWORK
(KHQ-KGW-KFI-KPO-KOMO)

8:00 a.m.—No School Today
8:30 a.m.—School of Music
8:00 a.m.—Polish Boys' Choir.
9:30 a.m.—Call of Youth
9:45 a.m.—WPA Symphony.
10:00 a.m.—Dickens' Christmas Carol.
10:55 a.m.—Metropolitan Opera
1:45 p.m.—Santa Claus Express
2:15 p.m.—Calling All Stamp Collectors
2:30 p.m.—Labor Camp Programme
2:45 p.m.—To be announced.
3:00 p.m.—Kaltenmeyers' Kindergarten.
3:15 p.m.—To be announced.
3:30 p.m.—Famous Boys' Orchestra.
3:45 p.m.—Goodwill Mission of the Air
4:00 p.m.—Paul Carson, organist.
4:30 p.m.—Edward McHugh.
4:45 p.m.—Lives of Great Men.
5:00 p.m.—Tommy Riggs and Betty Lou.
5:30 p.m.—Movina Stories of Life (KOMO)
5:45 p.m.—Sir Francis Orchestra.
6:00 p.m.—Dinner Date With Judy.
6:30 p.m.—Hall of Fun
7:00 p.m.—Cradle of Freedom.
7:30 p.m.—Yacht Club Orchestra.
8:00 p.m.—National Barn Dance.
8:00 p.m.—Fred Waring's Pennsylvanians.
8:30 p.m.—Avalon Time
10:00 p.m.—Dickens' Christmas Carol.
10:45 p.m.—Bal Tabarin Orchestra.
11:00 p.m.—Ted Weems' Orchestra.
11:45 p.m.—Archie Loveland's Orchestra.

N.B.C.-KGO BLUE NETWORK
(KOO-KJR-KEX-KECA-KGA)

8:00 a.m.—Vaughn De Leath, songs
9:15 a.m.—Radio City Four.
8:30 a.m.—Our Barn
8:00 a.m.—News and Christmas Chorus.
8:30 a.m.—National Farm and Home Hour
10:30 a.m.—Emmanuel Tabernacle (KJR).
11:00 a.m.—Lestmaton Orchestra.
11:30 a.m.—Al Roth and His Orchestra.
12:00 noon—Nathaniel Skilkret.
12:15 p.m.—Al Roth and His Orchestra.
12:30 p.m.—News Reporter (KJR).
12:45 p.m.—The Transcoubia Choral.
1:00 p.m.—Club Matinee.
2:00 p.m.—National Community Christmas Tree
2:30 p.m.—Syracuse Orchestra
3:00 p.m.—Uncle Frank's Children's Matinee.
4:00 p.m.—Message of Israel.
4:30 p.m.—Goodwill (KJR).
4:35 p.m.—Rendezvous With Ricardo
5:00 p.m.—Ted Weems Orchestra.
5:30 p.m.—Dickens' Christmas Carol.
6:00 p.m.—Scandinavian Reporter.
6:30 p.m.—News Reporter (KJR).
8:45 p.m.—Rhythm Makers (KJR).
7:00 p.m.—N.B.C. Symphony Orchestra.
8:30 p.m.—George Crook
8:45 p.m.—Clerz Parer Orchestra.
9:00 p.m.—News Reporter (KJR)
9:15 p.m.—Aloha Land.
9:30 p.m.—Ambassador Orchestra
10:00 p.m.—Scandinavian Christmas Programme
11:00 p.m.—Paul Carson, organist.

COLUMBIA NETWORK
(KVI-KIRO-KFPY-KOIN-KNX-KSL)

8:00 a.m.—Tonic Tunes (KIRO)
8:30 a.m.—Newsreel (KIRO)
8:45 a.m.—Weather Forecast (KIRO).
8:15 a.m.—Melody Ramblings.
8:30 a.m.—Enoch Light's Orchestra.
10:00 a.m.—Feminine Forum (KIRO).
10:30 a.m.—Lon Murray Presents.
11:00 a.m.—Romany Trail
11:30 a.m.—Bullalo Presents
11:45 a.m.—Frank Hynes, tenor
12:00 noon—News at Noon (KIRO).
12:15 p.m.—Merrymakers.
12:30 p.m.—Poetic Strings.
1:00 p.m.—Stephen Chadwick talk
1:30 p.m.—Dancepators.
2:00 p.m.—Annual Christmas Tree Lighting, White House.
2:30 p.m.—Eddie Duchin's Orchestra
3:00 p.m.—Press News.
3:05 p.m.—Leighton Noble's Orchestra.
3:30 p.m.—Night Time on the Trail.
3:45 p.m.—International Conference
4:00 p.m.—Saturday Night Swing Club
4:30 p.m.—Erwin Yeo, organist
5:00 p.m.—Fifth Quarter.
5:30 p.m.—Over the Skyways (KIRO)
5:45 p.m.—Howard Coutlaan (KIRO)
6:00 p.m.—Music in Sentimental

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That Body of Yours

by JAMES W. BARTON, M.D.

GETTING ENOUGH VITAMINS AND MINERALS DURING COOL WEATHER

It is unfortunate that when cool weather comes such nourishing and necessary foods as butter, eggs, and fresh fruits go up in price. Whenever possible, however, these foods should be used two or three times a week if they cannot be used daily.

Fortunately, canned fruits and vegetables are now safe and always available at reasonable prices, which help out the potatoes, carrots, oranges, grapefruit and bananas that are always at hand any time during the year. Milk, also fortunately, is always available.

It is when some of the necessary foods are at their highest prices that our appetites call for more food to keep our bodies warm. After a few weeks or months of cool weather and with not the variety of foods obtainable at other seasons, these appetites may begin to fail, so that toward the end of the cool season we may feel tired, irritable, and without appetite. "These are the symptoms which used to be considered as calling for a 'Spring tonic,' but now we know that it is better to get the tonic out of the grocery basket than from the drug store." It is lack of the vitamins and minerals of the fruits and vegetables that causes the lack of appetite and lowers the vitality.

Dr. Jean Bogert, in her book "Nutrition and Physical Fitness," makes the following suggestions if we are to make sure of enough minerals and vitamins during the cool weather. I believe most of us should be reminded of them once again:

1. Use larger amounts of the few fresh fruits and vegetables available.
2. Use larger amounts of canned or dried fruits and vegetables.
3. Use larger amounts of whole milk and cheese, especially if unable to get enough of eggs and butter.
4. Use some vegetables raw which are usually cooked.
5. Use more whole-grain products.
6. Add a little vitamin in concentrated form (cod liver oil, orange or tomato juice, yeast extract), if necessary. Children need especially to be safeguarded against possible vitamin shortage by having concentrated forms of vitamin given them during the cool weather.

JUST HIS PART

The senior form of a Lancashire grammar school was studying the "Merchant of Venice" one term. A very corpulent (and most unpopular) school inspector called upon the class one day to examine them.

He showed great interest in their dramatic work, and then proceeded to tell the boys what a brilliant actor he had been.

"I once played in the 'Merchant of Venice,'" he told them boastingly. "What part do you think I took?"

From somewhere at the back of the class came the immediate answer in a loud "stage whisper": "The pound of flesh, of course!"

MAY GOLF CHRISTMAS

CALGARY, Dec. 23 (CP).—Unless it snows soon, Calgarians are in for a "black" Christmas. Calgary oldtimers predict golf in this area Christmas Day for the first time in eight years, because there is scarcely enough snow now to make a good snowball.